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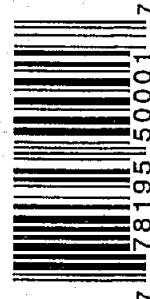
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Trustees blame gov't for chaos

By JENNIFER LANG

SCHOOL TRUSTEES are blaming education minister Christy Clark for having to reverse, at least for now, the closure of five schools to cut spending.

Trustees have said Clark herself told them they could do what was needed to bring spending into line with the budget she sent them.

But just hours before an April 3 board meeting, the first since the closures were announced March 27, the board learned the province hadn't changed the school closure policy.

That means the board has to embark upon a 60-day consultation period before making a final decision.

"School districts thought the Lib-

eral government was going to change the rules," Kitimat trustee Barry Pankhurst said the day after the board meeting where about 200 people learned the closures were on hold.

Education ministry officials have made it clear school boards are expected to balance their budgets or they'll be terminated, Pankhurst said.

"We believed it. The administration believed it," Pankhurst said of promises made to allow school closures to take place quickly. "Now we're stuck with egg all over our face. Mrs. Clark - you've got to answer the question, Why did you do this?"

Meanwhile, the board has to deliver a balanced budget by April 27 in spite of not being able to make a closure decision until the end of May.

A lawyer with the B.C. School Trustees Association (BCSTA) has now told the board it should follow the education ministry's policy guidelines on school closures - or face a potential legal challenge.

More inside

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Judith Clark, senior director of legal and legislative services for the BCSTA, told *The Terrace Standard* courts in other jurisdictions have ruled against school boards when the com-

munities affected by school closures hadn't received adequate consultation.

The B.C. education ministry's current policy on school closures stems from a series of successful legal challenges against school boards in Newfoundland. The policy recommends school boards take at least 60 days to consult with the public.

Under the current rules, school districts must also gain the education minister's approval before a school can be closed.

Pankhurst said the education minister should be held accountable for telling districts they had the government's permission to close schools quickly and the rules would be changed.

As of last week, the district had not

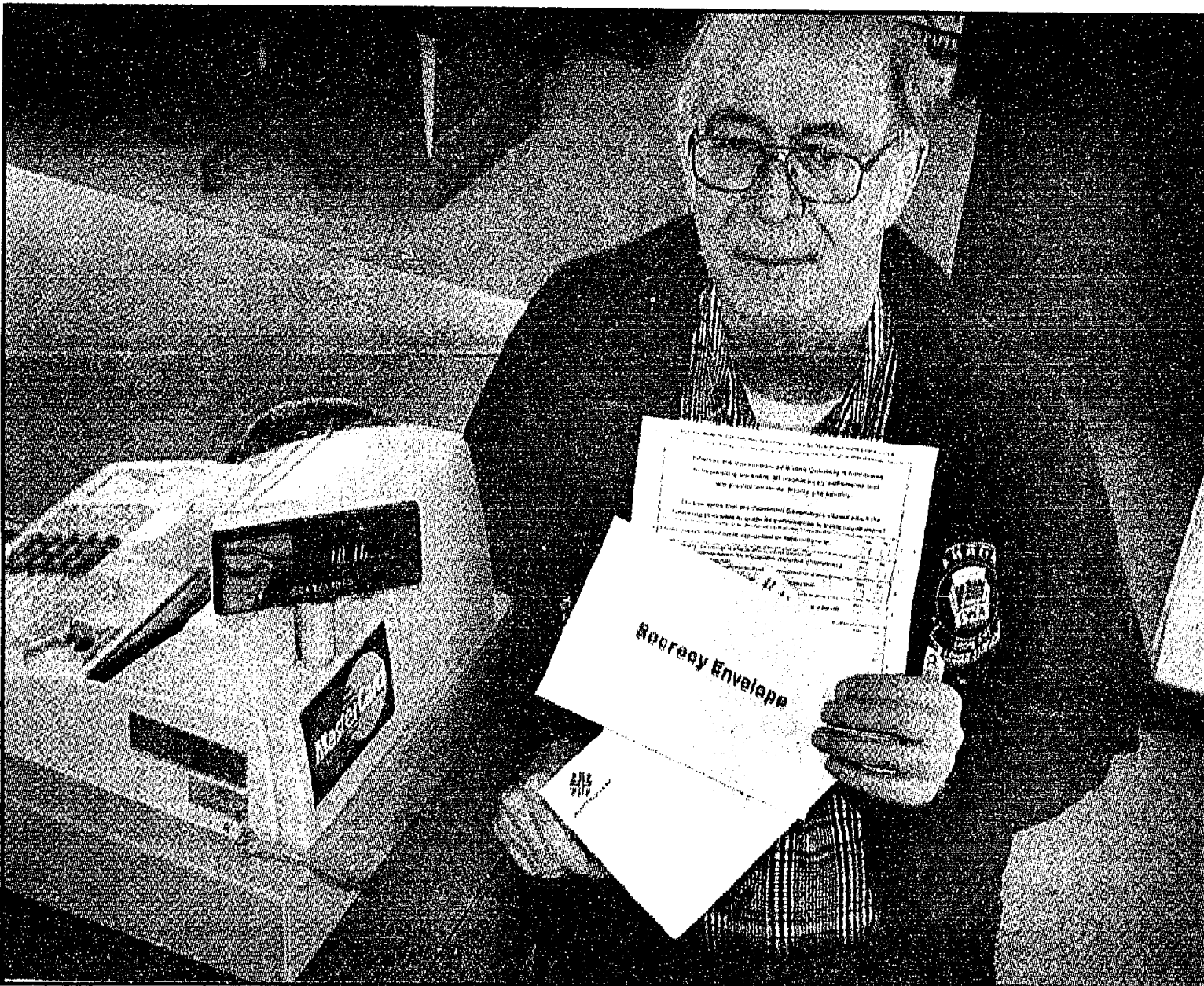
been able to contact the education minister for clarification.

The board is now anxious to arrange a meeting with Skeena MLA Roger to express frustration with events.

"All school boards in the province were caught," Pankhurst added. "The B.C. School Trustees Association lawyers informed us we could not do what we were doing. Other school districts were looking at the same procedures."

The Terrace Standard attempted to contact the education minister last week, but she did not respond.

"The Liberal government hasn't thought out what they're doing. They're just flying by the seat of their pants," said school board vice-chair Peter King. "The kids and parents are paying for it."



WHAT AM I BID? Thornhill regional district director Les Watmough says it's easy to sign a referendum validation envelope and then sell your ballot to anyone who will buy it. That means it's not a secret ballot and discredits the whole process, he says.

It's easy to sell your vote in treaty referendum, says critic

ONE LOCAL person says it's possible to sell the land claims referendum ballot received in the mail last week.

Les Watmough says all a person has to do is sign where asked to and fill out the required information and hand over the unsealed referendum envelopes and ballot to anybody who want to buy it.

"This is so far away from a secret ballot it's incredible," said Watmough, a New Democrat and Kitimat-Stikine regional district director.

"This is so open to fraud it's unbelievable." "If this is so important to the provincial government, then it should have been done by a secret ballot," said Watmough.

But Watmough isn't sure who would want to buy ballots in a referendum he and others are calling unnecessary and ill-advised.

Yet he does say the idea of selling ballots fits in with the Liberal government's "open for business" philosophy.

Watmough's stance aside, people opposed to the land claims referendum are being asked to hand in their ballots so they can be burned.

The plan is to bundle up the ballots, mailed out last week, and send them south so they can be burned in a massive protest, says Alana Dams who works for the Terrace Women's Resource Centre and who is a member of the Action Coalition of Terrace, formed to oppose

government cuts to services.

"The plan is to have a large rally in Victoria," said Dams of the burning concept.

The burning plan is but one option being promoted in opposition to the \$9 million mail-in ballot referendum now underway.

The Anglican church in B.C. announced last week it wants its 200,000 parishioners to either vote "no" to all eight questions on the ballot or to not mail it back at all.

"This is so open to fraud it's unbelievable. If this is so important to the provincial government, then it should have been done by a secret ballot."

Other groups are suggesting the ballots be spoiled or sent back unmarked. All say the referendum will cause instability and conflict.

The provincial government wants to establish what it calls principles for treaty negotiations by asking voters in B.C. to answer 'yes' or 'no' to eight questions ranging from taxation to government powers to environmental controls.

Speaking last week, provincial attorney-general Geoff Plant says the Liberal government needs a clear mandate to negotiate treaties to overcome a stalled process which has so far failed to result in a single treaty despite spending hundreds of millions of dollars over the last decade.

But he said the 'yes' or 'no' responses to the questions will give the province guidance only in negotiations and won't be binding when it comes to establishing a mandate.

Native groups in particular oppose Question 6: "Aboriginal self-government should have the characteristics of local government, with powers delegated from Canada and British Columbia."

They say the Canadian constitution already provides for self-government powers separate from those of Canada and British Columbia.

Ballots have to be returned by May 15 and filling them out involves seven steps and three envelopes.

Elections B.C., the non-partisan agency which runs provincial elections, is running the mail-in referendum.

It'll report 'yes' and 'no' votes on every question as well as ballots which are rejected.

Dams said those who want their ballot burned should turn them over to band offices, the women's centre or to union shop stewards.

City voted 'no' to get better SCI sale deal

By JEFF NAGEL

MAYOR JACK Talstra says he and council tried to block the sale of Skeena Cellulose to NWBC Timber and Pulp because they didn't like the deal or the pressure put on them to vote for it.

Creditors approved the sale by a huge margin April 2, but Terrace came close to defeating it.

The vote of unsecured creditors passed with 85 per cent of them in favour, representing 92 per cent of the value of the \$13.8 million in registered claims.

Had either Prince Rupert or Port Edward - which both voted 'yes' - joined Terrace in voting 'no', the deal would have been defeated and SCI would have gone into immediate bankruptcy. Each class of creditors had to approve the sale.

Talstra said the towns were angered by a last minute amendment to the plan that deprived them of interest and penalty charges on the back taxes they are owed. For Terrace that amounted to \$57,000 but it was more than \$4 million for Prince Rupert.

The towns were then forced to vote quickly, he said, given only two minutes to discuss their options as the court-appointed monitor circled them, counting out the number of seconds left.

"It was disgusting," Talstra said. "We didn't feel we should have to vote with a gun to our head. So we entered a 'no' vote."

The mayor said he believes if enough towns were prepared to vote 'no' to defeat the deal, Veniez would have agreed to include the interest and penalty charges.

"Negotiations are tough and you have to take those negotiations to the eleventh hour," he said. "And you have to sometimes make a stand at the very last minute in hopes that something better comes out."

Had the deal collapsed and the operations fallen into bankruptcy, he predicted rival suitor Forest Capital Ltd. would then have joined NWBC in wide-open bidding for the operations.

That may have then resulted in a sale to the best-financed company - the one with the best chance of running the operations for the long term, he said.

Concern that NWBC doesn't have enough money has dogged its bid and Veniez refused to disclose details of his financing to the towns.

"Terrace has always wanted to see a level playing field and we were prepared to take that principle to the ultimate limit," Talstra said.

Pushing for the no vote were mayor Talstra and Terrace councillors David Hull, Marilyn Davies, Ron Vanderlee and Lynne Christiansen.

While NWBC will spread out repayment of property taxes over nine years, Forest Capital, which repeatedly lobbied northwest towns to vote down the deal, promised faster repayment of property taxes.

Talstra said its plan looked promising and it gave a slightly clearer picture of its finances.

But councillor Val George, who along with Rich McDaniel opposed council's decision to vote 'no', said he was no more comfortable with Forest Capital.

He said NWBC had the best understanding of the issues and the best chance of going forward.

And George said voting against the sale may have caused a breakup of the operations in bankruptcy.

"I think it was a huge risk to take," he said. Talstra said the situation came down to a judgment call.

"It was a crapshoot," he said. Veniez denounced Terrace council for its opposition. "It was the height of irresponsibility," he said. "I'm very disappointed at Jack, very disappointed at council voting this way."

"Terrace was clearly supporting Larry Bontje. Clearly they were swayed by a guy coming in at the last minute offering the moon."

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Massive changes coming at the college

THE NORTHWEST Community College board will be given a series of options this Saturday on how to shift \$2 million in spending to the task of finding and educating more students.

Although the college is generally receiving the same amount of money this year as last year, it must enrol 485 more full time students than what was first anticipated to meet a provincial government goal of 1,821 students, says college president Stephanie Forsyth.

And that means wholesale changes in what the college offers, how programs are offered and what other services are provided, she said.

The board is expected to tell administrators which options they want implemented and those will then be brought back as part of a budget package next month, Forsyth added.

The college daycare centre here is to close despite efforts to find a way to keep it open.

"We tried to find a way to keep it open, but just couldn't," said Forsyth of the daycare centre.

Some of the additional students are coming through the new licensed practical nursing program at the college and from an expansion of the college's on-line course offerings, Forsyth added.

"Our difficulty is overcoming what has been the under-utilization of existing programs," she said.

As it is, the college laid off 38 people, most of them part time, in January to overcome a budget deficit caused when it lost money for programs not considered part of its core offerings.

But this next round of cuts will touch even the core program portions of the college.

Stephanie said college employees are being very creative in trying to find new sources of revenue based on offering, in partnership, new kinds of courses.

"Some of the partnership proposals with First Nations are very exciting," she said.

All this will help as every dollar saved or found elsewhere means less disruption to other college offerings, Forsyth added.

Still to be decided is how much tuition will increase.

That won't likely be decided until the college's spending plans are set, said Forsyth.

"Tuition will depend upon how much money we can first find in savings," she said.

College officials earlier estimated that a 25 per cent increase would produce an additional \$250,000.

New equipment to aid landings at the airport

THE TERRACE airport is to get a sophisticated landing system by early this winter, says the president of its governing authority.

And when installed, it will reduce the number of flights that can't land because of bad weather, said Frank Hamilton of the Terrace-Kitimat Airport Society.

The great majority of the instrument landing system cost of \$1 million is being borne by NavCanada, the not-for-profit agency which handles navigational aids at the country's airports.

"The equipment is being installed beginning in July after which they'll be running some tests," said Hamilton of information he's received from NavCanada.

"They'll be flying test approaches in November and want it operational by the end of November."

Hamilton said November is a good time to test an instrument landing approach because that's when the difficult winter weather begins.

The airport society has started to clear some trees on the west side of the main runway and will take trees off of Little Herman, which sits at the southern approach to the runway.

An ILS here will guide pilots down an electronic beam, allowing them to reach a lower altitude - with a better chance of seeing the runway - than is otherwise allowed.

A normal ILS approach, indicates Nav Canada information, allows the aircraft to be precisely flown down a glide path to a



Frank Hamilton

position one-half mile back from and 200 feet above the runway elevation.

Under current visual flight rules for this airport, pilots are allowed to descend in a series of steps as they near the airport and cannot go below a minimum

altitude unless they can see the runway. The traditional knock against the airport has always been that winter weather makes landings difficult and diversions to either Prince Rupert or Vancouver inevitable.

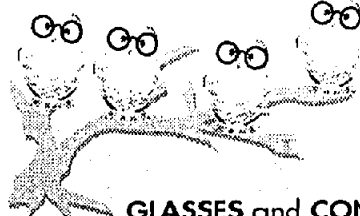
Once in Prince Rupert, passengers face not only a long bus ride home, but also a ferry ride to get from the island upon which that city's airport sits to the mainland.

Hamilton said there were about 109 missed flights last year because of weather. An ILS is expected to reduce the number of missed flights by up to 80 per cent.

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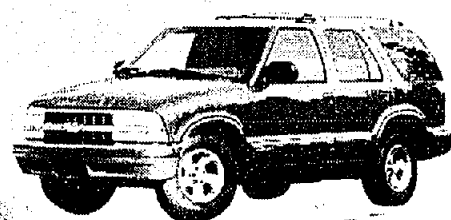
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Correction

SIMON FRASER University is not withdrawing from all teacher training in the north, as was indicated in an April 3 article.

While it is withdrawing from its Prince George program, the one here and one in the northeast continue.

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Budget cuts take hold here

Correctional centre closes

ONE OF the first visible effects of provincial budget cuts here took place April 4 when all of the prisoners at the correctional centre were transferred to a larger facility in Prince George.

The closure of the jail, in order to save money, was moved up from the fall as places elsewhere for workers were found and as the number of inmates dropped.

Workers are now preparing to turn the minimum security jail over to the B.C. Buildings Corporation which will look for a new use.

That's expected to happen by the end of the month.

"The prisoners were moved by sheriff's van. There were only 10 remaining," said Stephanie McPherson of the solicitor-general's ministry which runs the province's jails.

"The opportunity for a closure arose because either inmates weren't sent there or were moved," she said.

The jail had a staffing level of 12.5 full time equivalent positions.

Four of the workers were auxiliary employees and have lost their jobs.

One person had less than three years seniority and will be laid off if a job can't be found elsewhere in the immediate area.

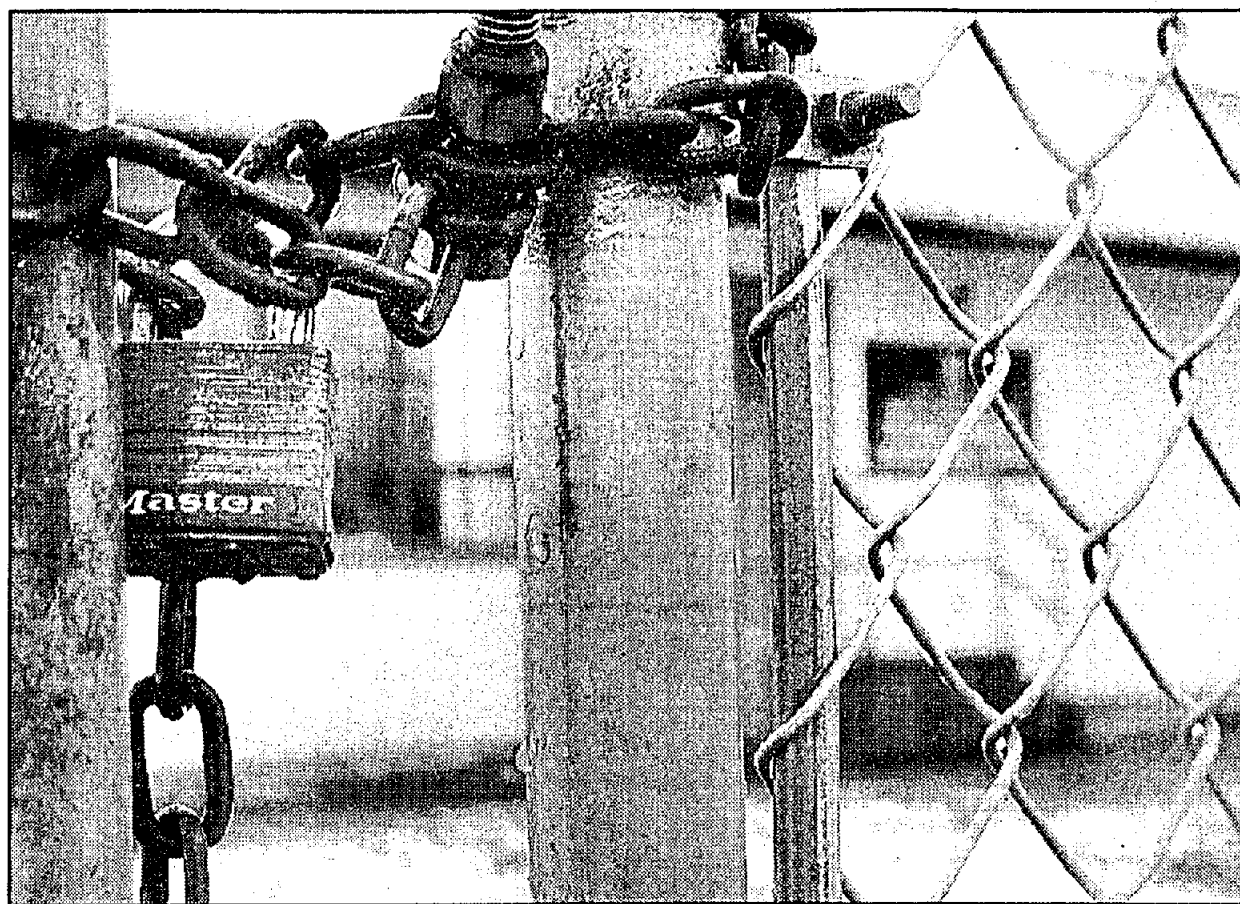
The remaining workers are being transferred to jails elsewhere, said McPherson.

"They can be transferred to the main correctional centre in Prince George or if there are no placement opportunities, options elsewhere in government," she said.

The jail is nine years old, opened in 1993 at a cost of \$1.87 million.

It replaced a converted old motel, now demolished, near the corner of Hwy 16 and Munroe.

The new facility was



THE COMMUNITY corrections centre here was padlocked last week after the remaining prisoners were transferred to a larger jail in Prince George. Its

closure was announced in January as part of a series of government spending cuts in Terrace and area. A new use will be sought for the facility.

designed to hold up to 30 people sent to prison for crimes which did not involve violence.

Rumours of the jail's closure spread late last year as the new government sought ways to cut spending.

One knock against the

facility was that it was comparatively under-utilized.

It also contained electronic monitoring equipment so that some inmates could serve their time in their own homes by wearing anklets which sounded an alarm if they strayed.

That and other programs acting as an alternative to prisons reduced the need for space to house non-violent offenders, said solicitor-general ministry officials.

The jail here became well known for selling fire-

wood and for making benches, small bridges and the like.

"As a community corrections centre, it did a lot of community work and Terrace will feel the impact of losing that," McPherson noted.

Move campers out, city commands

CITY OFFICIALS have told a local RV park owner he must end his practice of letting campers stay indefinitely or else face a court injunction.

Several residents, some of them senior citizens, have been camped at the Reel Inn in RVs and campers for months and in some cases years.

That's in contravention of a city bylaw that limits the length of stay in a campground to 150 days in a year.

The city last week notified Reel Inn owner Peter Gill that it will seek a court injunction forcing compliance if he doesn't take steps voluntarily by April 17.

"We have served them a letter saying we want compliance with our bylaws or we will request that use be permanently removed," said Paul Gipps, the city's director of regulatory services.

If the motel continues to run the RV park in defiance of an injunction, it faces possible fines of up to \$2,000 per day and payment of the city's court costs.

To voluntarily comply, Gipps said, the motel will have to seek a rezoning from light industrial to service commercial. And it will have to upgrade the RV park area to meet campground bylaw requirements.

Those requirements include landscaping, buffering between camping areas and removal of the joey shacks and additions now connected to the RVs, Gipps said.

The campground would then have to comply with the regulation that no camper stay more than 150 days in a calendar year.

Reel Inn owner Peter Gill said he's exploring his options to comply, adding many tenants are moving out.

News In Brief

Girl dies in accident

AN EIGHT year old Kitimat girl is dead after a single vehicle accident on Hwy 37 near Kitimat March 30.

Police say five family members were travelling northbound in a 2001 Mazda Van at 9 a.m. when the accident occurred.

Police said the driver of the van lost control, crossed the centreline and went into the ditch on the opposite side of the road just north of the Kitimat Airpark, about 20km north of Kitimat. The van then slid backward into a tree.

Desiree Smith, 8, of Kitimat was seated in the rear seat of the van with her seatbelt on.

She suffered serious head injuries and was transported to Mills Memorial Hospital in Terrace and later air lifted to Children's Hospital in Vancouver. She died March 31 shortly after 1 p.m. in Children's Hospital, police said.

The other four occupants of the vehicle suffered minor injuries. Snow was falling and slush was on the roads, added police.

Medevacs scrubbed

TWO OF three emergency air evacuation flights scheduled to land in Terrace had to be diverted to other airports March 30 because of a spring snow storm.

"We had three flights scheduled into Terrace and only one was able to land successfully," said B.C. Ambulance Service official Bob Pearce.

"The other two had to be diverted into other airports and the paramedics took road transport into Terrace in order to pick up the patients."

One of those flights was diverted to Prince Rupert and the other was diverted to Prince George.

All air evacuations are dependent on the weather, Pearce added. It's always the pilot's decision to land based on weather conditions at the airport.

Four on probation

FOUR TERRACE men are on two years probation and have curfews after they pleaded guilty in Terrace provincial court March 22 to charges connected to a Benner St. home invasion in February.

Aaron Parhar, Blair Friel, Graham Cowman - all 18 - and 19-year-old Esmond Watts each pleaded guilty to unlawfully being in a home and theft under \$5,000.

The four men and a 17-year-old youth were told to leave a house party by the occupant of the home Feb. 18, police said.

They all returned later that night and forced their way into the home attempting to tie the 17-year-old occupant up with duct tape, police said.

The occupant was able to free himself before any harm was done.

Each of the four men received a suspended sentence, two years probation and a curfew confining them at home between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.

They also had to pay a \$50 victim impact surcharge.

The 17-year-old youth also charged in the matter appeared in court yesterday.

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Get moving

POP QUIZ. What is easier for a 40-year-old woman to do in Terrace? A) Buy a bottle of vodka on Sunday. B) Get a mammogram.

If you answered A), you are right. In two short weeks from announcement to implementation, a change in alcohol sales rules now means you can purchase hard liquor at beer and wine stores. But get a mammogram? No way.

This troubling story began last fall when the plug on the aging mechanism in use at Mills was pulled by a technician after it was found to be unreliable. Such a device is absolutely essential for women because mammography scans can detect early signs of breast cancer, a leading cause of death in women over 40. Not having one at Mills means women would have to travel to Kitimat or Prince Rupert for scans.

Efforts to buy a new one quickly gathered momentum. Lobbying from local people and from Skeena Liberal MLA Roger Harris produced the money from the provincial government. It was topped up by the Northwest Hospital District, which collects taxes and then provides 40 per cent of the cost of new medical equipment.

Some very good thinking went into the acquisition project. A decision was reached that the new mammography unit should be a mobile one so that it could also be taken on the road to places such as Stewart and Dease Lake. This would prevent women from those and other northern communities having to make the trip to Terrace.

Tender invitations went out late last year and a supplier was chosen. All that was required was the final purchase authorization and there were optimistic predictions the new unit and an especially equipped van for taking it on the road would be ready early in the new year.

Too good to be true? Unfortunately, yes. Last year community health councils were scrapped in favour of larger regional authorities. Up here that is the Prince George-based Northern Health Authority, a creature with a \$330 million-plus budget and the mammography project disappeared into its maw.

To be sure, it takes time to organize something as large as the new health authority. But this should have been a no-brainer for the spadework had already been done.

Now the price guaranteed by the supplier has expired because of the delay and it has to be re-tendered. Worse yet – the new authority wants to review the project. Translation: more delay. Issuing the purchase authorization order should have been as easy as changing the alcohol sales rules.

This could have been a slick Bertuzzi-to-Naslund two-on-one. Instead it's turning into clutch and grab. And that's hardly something to inspire taxpayer confidence in what is supposed to be a more efficient and responsive way to provide health care.



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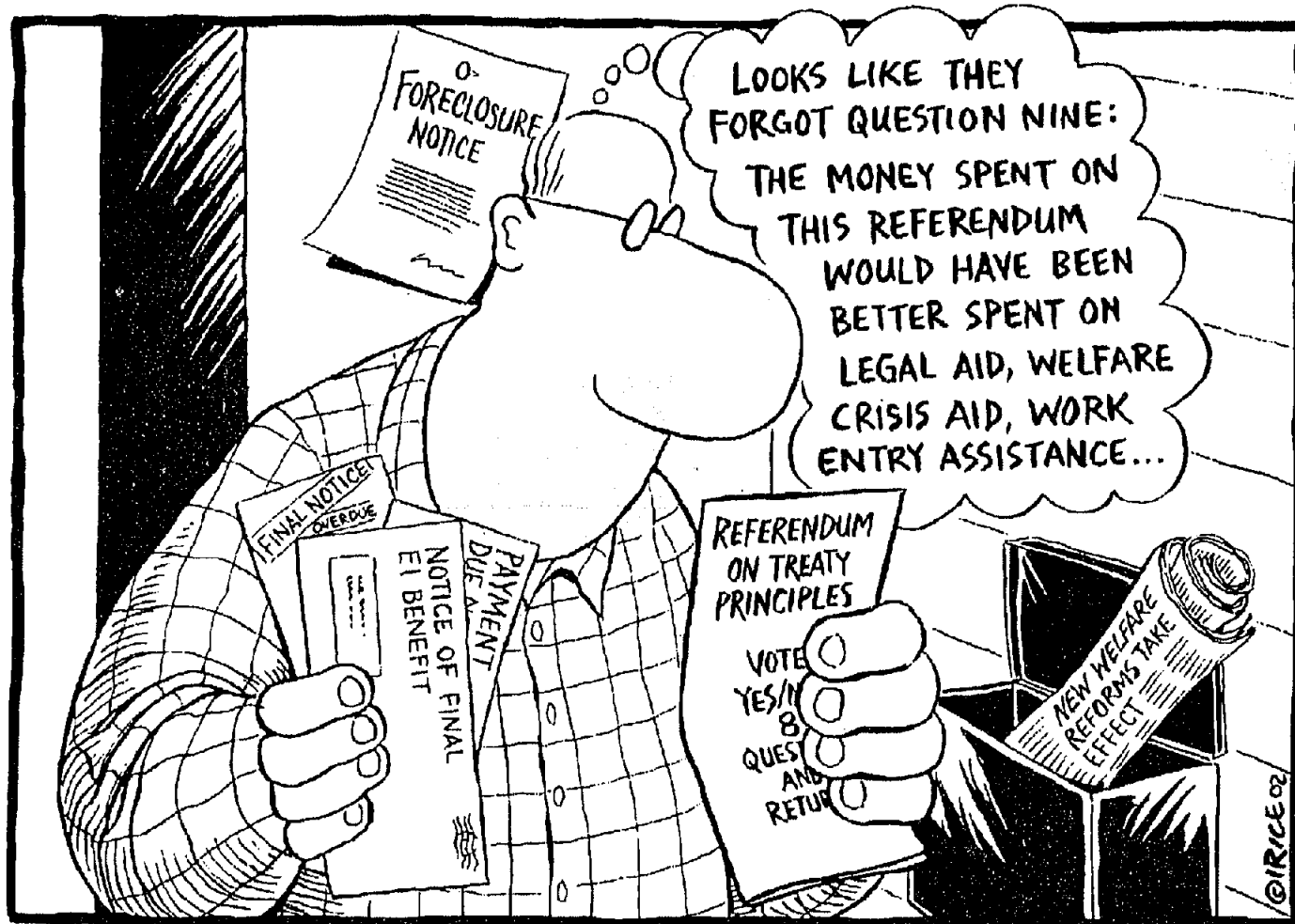


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Queen Mum was true royalty

VICTORIA – The first thing I ever heard about the Queen Mum was when Hitler called her “the most dangerous woman in Europe.”

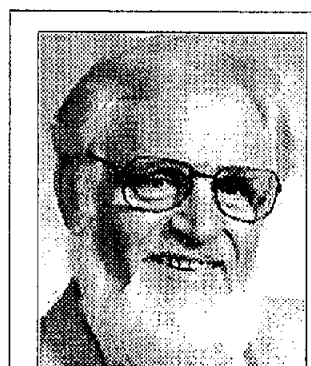
And well he might: This was the woman who more than anyone else represented the defiance of England when she stood alone against an enemy staring at her across the Channel.

“The children will not leave without me; I will not leave without the King and the King will never leave,” she responded to suggestions that the royal family seek safety in Canada or some other place not threatened by invasion from the seemingly invincible German army.

At the time, of course, Germans readily believed without reservation that the English, along with the royal family, were indeed the most dangerous thing this side of Hades.

Years later when I worked as a reporter at the Winnipeg Free Press, I was rather astounded by a headline: *Queen visits relatives in Germany*. Even though I was aware of the royal family's German roots, it still sounded so improbable. That was during the Queen's first official visit to Germany after the war.

It was in those years that on television I caught regular



FROM THE CAPITAL
HUBERT BEYER

glimpses of the Queen Mother at races or official functions, always in those outrageous hats and colourful chiffon dresses, always that smile and always displaying a genuine interest in whomever she happened to be talking to.

This was the woman who alongside her husband, the King, presided over a still intact world empire. This was the woman who proved to be the steely determination behind the throne in England's darkest hour.

Having experienced firsthand where demagoguery and tyranny lead, I found it remarkable easy to opt for the tradition and history of the British monarchy.

To me the Queen Mother represented the vital continuity

for a nation and a Commonwealth that politicians can never hope to emulate.

As others have pointed out, the Queen Mother during her lifetime, saw almost all the world's other crowns and thrones disappear, including those of Germany, Russia, Austria, Turkey and Italy.

When she was born, Israel didn't exist, nor did the states sworn to destroy her – Iraq, Syria and Saudi Arabia.

Although I met her daughter, the Queen, on two occasions, once aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia, I never met the woman I most admired, the Queen Mother.

Being an unabashed admirer of our Queen, I am sure my now almost life-long admiration of her mother would have been more than justified.

Her generation did not yet tolerate the antics of today's young royals that have left blemishes on the monarchy and prompted the Queen to refer during a New Year's address some years back as her “annum terribilis.”

The Queen Mother, her marriage arranged as much as any in the Muslim world, knew where her duties lay. Noblesse oblige. There was an unwritten and unspoken contract between those who were privileged to rule and those who

were ruled. And she knew that contract well.

When during the Blitz, Buckingham Palace was bombed, the family was in a nearby room, showered with glass and debris.

“I'm almost glad we've been bombed. Now I can look the East End in the face,” she remarked. The East End of London had been the most hard hit during the Blitz.

Despite her privileged birth, she seemed to have a genuine connection to working people. During a coal miners' strike, a woman tried to ingratiate herself to the Queen Mother by saying, “aren't the miners dreadful?”

Observers of the scene reported that she gave the woman an icy stare and replied, “where I come from, they are good people and very loyal.”

The Queen Mother's death will, no doubt, renew some naval gazing about whether or not we should retain the monarchy.

Considering the alternatives, I believe I will stick with the monarchy. And the Queen Mum more than anyone else is responsible for that belief.

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School close rules broken

IN THEIR March 26 closure of five district schools, the Coast Mountain school trustees bypassed the School Act and ministerial guidelines which allot 60 days for proper public notice and meaningful public consultation.

Consultation begins the day the board raises the prospect in an open board meeting. In this case, March 6. And I'm told Copper Mountain wasn't mentioned then.

Copper Mountain first learned it was on the chopping block March 22, in a phone call from the board to the principal.

The only public meeting Copper Mountain had an opportunity to attend was the R.E.M. Lee meeting March 24.

A truly “consultative” meeting! All discussion was ruled out, but everyone was instructed to leave a written copy of their remarks, to satisfy another ministerial guideline of which presenters were probably unaware.

B.C. education ministry guidelines for the board to fol-



THROUGH BIFOCALS
CLAUDETTE SANDECKI

low when considering closure of a school say this:

“To ensure that an open and meaningful public consultation has taken place (a) make available, in writing, a full disclosure of all facts and information considered by the school board including but not limited to – detailed reasons for proposed school closure; which schools are being considered for closure; how this would affect the current catchment area for

each school; general effect on surrounding schools;

effect on bussing; course implications; financial considerations; proposed use of the closed school.”

Information shared by the board with Copper Mountain would fit on a cocktail napkin.

“(b) provide an adequate opportunity for affected persons to submit a written submission.” Remember R.E.M. Lee?

(c) hold at least one public meeting to discuss the proposed closure, summarize written submissions, and listen to the community's concerns and proposed options.” Have you seen a summary of written submissions?

For consultation to be meaningful, fair consideration includes the concept that the board's proposal to close a school could be changed or reversed.

Two days after the R.E.M. Lee meeting, the board decided to close Copper Mountain and not open the new Moun-

tainview school.

“Teachers, staff, students and parents of students attending the schools which might receive displaced students must be given notification and a chance to give their input.”

Thornhill Primary and Elementary schools had no such chance. They learned March 27 via the grapevine Copper Mountain students might be squeezing in with them come September.

“Ministerial approval to close a school may be refused where enrolment growth forecasts for the surrounding area will require that the school be reopened in the near future.”

Copper Mountain's enrolment has been steady for years and is expected to increase.

The board's school closure has been panicky, poorly thought out, if at all. Principals and staff have not been consulted.

As of April 1, even our MLA hadn't been asked by the board to seek more time or funding from Victoria, or even to attend a meeting.

PAWS

WE'RE GOING EXTINCT AND NOBODY CARES!

HEY! A PORCUPINE! HOW COME YOU GUYS ARE SO SCARCE NOW?



NO SEXY RESEARCH! NO SEXY GRANTS! NO SEXY WORKSHOPS! NO SEXY BIODIVERSITY MODELS! NO SEXY RADIO-COLLARS!



WE'RE PRICKLY! WE'RE NOT SEXY!!



HE SEEMS OBSESSED WITH SEX!



WELL, SEX HAS ALWAYS BEEN DIFFICULT FOR PORCUPINES YOU KNOW!!



CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE TERRACE STANDARD

The Mail Bag

I am not a deadbeat

Dear Sir:

This is in reply to John Jensen's letter "They're like bananas" in the March 20 *The Terrace Standard*. I have to agree with you about many issues you so humorously ridiculed, Mr. Jensen, but one that really gets my goat is the so-called social services (welfare) that we have here.

I don't know if you intended it as a joke, but let me clear things up for you. I am 49 years old, I am not a deadbeat and yes, I am on welfare.

Thank you Mr. Campbell, but due to your messing up this north country big time, there are a lot of honest hard working people living "high off the hog" on welfare as you call it, Mr. Jensen.

Yeah, on \$510 a month, give me a break and quit being so funny. Not to mention the many families who have left here in disgust due to no jobs here. I had found a job in Alberta but could not financially afford to get there and welfare refused to help so I could go there to work.

I later found out that welfare has funds set up to help people relocate to a different province if they have a job waiting for them, which I did. So, it appears that this office could care less if we get off welfare or not. So much for people trying to get off welfare when they are refused help.

And, every time an industry tries to come here, all the goody two shoes come out and gripe and bellyache till these companies leave in disgust. A plywood mill, a steel mill, to name just two and there were others also, a lot of others.

You people know who you are so give yourself a pat on the back, and how dare you call us a bunch of deadbeats living high off the hog. Shame on you.

Granted there are some on welfare who do not wish to work but not all of us are there because we want to be. try living on \$510 per month and see how far you get. Personally, I think you owe all of us an apology, Mr. Jensen, for calling us deadbeats.

I was raised in this town but by God if I am lucky enough to find my way out of it again, I will not be back. People would be a lot better off if they would help one another instead of calling each other down, but I suppose that is the sign of the times. Everyone for himself, the richest man wins.

Guess what bud, you can't take it with you and your kids sure won't appreciate it, they will just end up with a real attitude. Makes me wonder where you got your money from.

Cam Schulte, Terrace, B.C.

Right on, Roger

Dear Sir:

Do you know what happens to a country that has a socialist economy? Ask Russia, Cuba, New Zealand, or China. Now we can ask British Columbians.

The Liberals have been in power for less than one year. How long have you been unemployed? If you are like most loggers and mill workers in the north, your E.I. benefits have run out and are now on social assistance.

Eight years of socialistic madness has left northern B.C. devastated. Does the Lower Mainland care or even know about our plight? Did the NDP care? The votes are all in the south. Why should they care about us?

The Liberal government does care enough to take the steps needed to correct the huge wrongs done to us by the NDP.

Keep going, Roger Harris. Keep lowering government spending. Bring back prosperity.
Steve Alvey, Terrace, B.C.

Corporate tax breaks could help natives

Dear Sir:

The editorial on taxation on Indian reserves in *The Terrace Standard* of March 20, 2002 deserves some comment.

It is interesting to note that the non-aboriginal population carries the perception that aboriginal people are getting a free ride while the aboriginal population carries the perception that it is the whites who are getting something (land and resources) for nothing.

So the question is this: how does the amount of foregone income tax compare to the amount of corporate tax and royalties collected on tribal territories? I would ask your investigative journalists exactly how much did the provincial government receive in timber royalties for logging on Nisga'a lands before the treaty came into effect?

During the same time period, exactly how much income tax did the province forgo? And where was this foregone provincial revenue spent - Terrace, by any chance?

The irony is that the policy of the B.C. Liberals to increase tax collected on Indian reserves comes at a time when everyone else is getting tax breaks. The only people subject to a tax increase in British Columbia will be those living in the communities with the highest unemployment rate and the lowest standard of living.

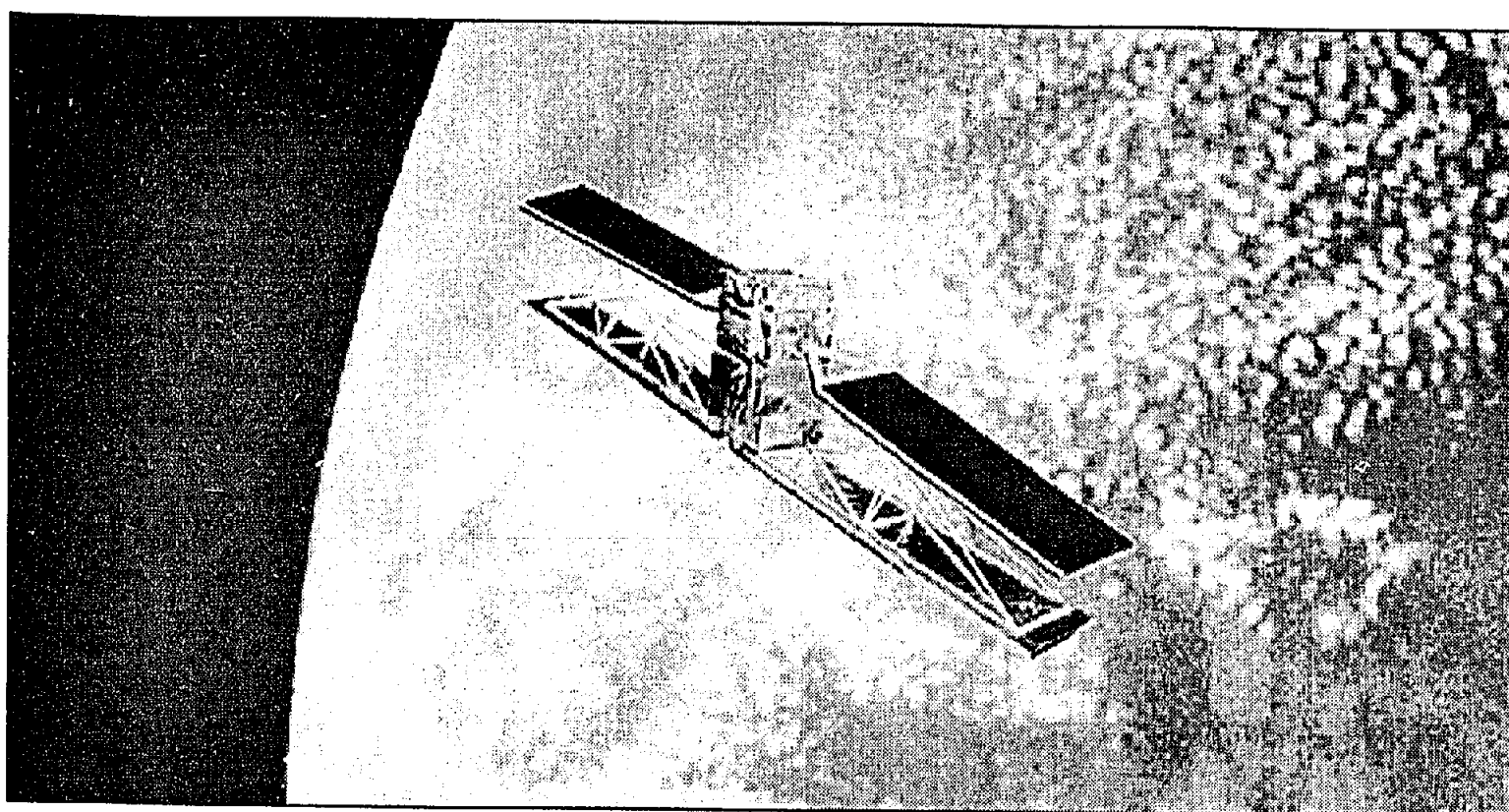
In the present system it is ultimately public money that supports reserve infrastructures. By providing tax breaks to corporations operating on reserves, in effect creating tax-free economic development zones, much more private capital could become available to these impoverished communities.

I would suggest that the Liberals follow their own philosophy on this one. The question on the treaty referendum should read: Should corporations or individuals acting in partnership with First Nations organizations or individuals be given tax incentives for any joint ventures taking place on tribal lands?

David Dickinson, Hazelton, B.C.

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SATELLITES are increasingly a force on our lives. The many facets of their influence are explored in a new documentary produced by Smithers film maker Monty Bassett. It airs on the Discovery channel at 8 p.m. April 16.

Don't look up

Smithers film maker turns his eye to the sky in latest documentary work

By LARISSA ARDIS

Special to the Standard

MOST OF us don't think much about satellites - but a new documentary written, directed and produced by Smithers-based film maker Monty Bassett offers several reasons to do so more often.

In *Saturn's Eyes: Satellites Taking the Planet's Pulse*, Bassett explores the world of satellites and their implications for everything from communication and culture, to natural and human-made disasters, to the distribution of political power.

Bassett's documentary is scheduled to air on the Discovery Channel at 8 p.m. April 16. Driven by an engaging musical score and packed with enough thought-provoking facts and compelling imagery to merit multiple viewings, *Saturn's Eyes* is a treat for the eyes, ears and mind.

In one mesmerizing sequence, viewers are invited to contemplate the political meaning of satellite-produced images of the electrified earth as seen at night - appropriately, to Beethoven's haunting *Moonlight Sonata*.

"Just as the sun reveals our activities by casting shadows upon the earth, our illumination of the earth at night reveals who has the power," intones the narrator, while a pan of a relatively dark landscape of continental Africa gives way to the frenetic blaze of electric light emanating from North America.

In another scene, actual promotional footage from the U.S. government's Star Wars project relies on computer graphics to illustrate tidy stellar warfare as envisioned by the Reagan administration. In our post-September 11 world, it reads as an eerie high tech fairy tale.

Bassett remembers when his fascination

with satellites began.

"I was working on a wildlife collaring project in remote wilderness," said Bassett.

"When one of our pilot's planes disappeared during the project, we started looking at how information produced by satellites could help us find him."

Intrigued by the multiple layers of perception offered by what Bassett calls "orbital stethoscopes," he pitched a documentary idea about satellites to the Discovery Channel, for whom he'd worked previously.

They loved the idea.

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Almost three years of research and 22 weeks of editing later, Bassett's 46-minute documentary is ready for view.

Rich in elegant turns of phrase, *Saturn's* script hints at Bassett's own background as a seasoned wordsmith who experienced rebirth as a documentary filmmaker only five years ago.

Saturn has also been enhanced by the talents of several Bulkley Valley residents. Among these are Smithers songstresses Elaine Edmison and Abra Hamilton, who deliver a celestial rendition of a Lakme duet, and

award-winning Hazelton photographer Cas Sowa, whose original camera work is all over this project.

Bassett counts *Saturn's Eyes* as the latest in a series of documentaries.

Another project, *Chasing Shadows: The Simon Peter Gunanoot Story* is currently nominated for several film industry awards.

Chasing Shadows relates the tale of a Gitksan man from the Hazeltons, suspected in 1906 of having murdered two white men in a bar room brawl. Simon Gunanoot managed to elude bounty hunters and RCMP alike for 13 years, in what became the lengthiest and costliest manhunt in Canadian history - and the thorn in the side of the local police.

Gunanoot owed his tenuous freedom to years of covert support from countless members of five First Nations and many whites who considered themselves his fans.

"His allies all had a common enemy: the government," winked Bassett.

As a fugitive, Gunanoot did more than just survive: he flourished, fathering four children with his wife and enjoying the live-in company of his parents.

While researching that documentary, Bassett found himself wondering why the Canadian government and the police focused so much resources on capturing this one man, in a frontier atmosphere where unsolved murder cases were not uncommon.

Bassett's research suggested an answer: politicians of the day feared Gunanoot's sway among native people and the spectre that he might become the next Louis Riel.

Bassett has also produced *Life on the Vertical*, the story of mountain goats living in the Stikine Canyon north of here.

Call issued to destroy, spoil treaty referendum ballot

By LARRY GUNO

WE CONDEMN the Liberal government's ill-advised and reckless decision to press on with its treaty referendum, in spite of a growing number of reasoned voices calling for the government to cease and desist.

It is clear, that by any reasoned analysis, whether on a legal or historical basis, the eight questions presented to the citizens, ostensibly to inform future treaty negotiations, reflect an astonishing breadth of ignorance of our history.

It is a history of over a hundred years of painstaking struggle that took place in our courts, in various political arenas, and most of all, in the hearts and minds of people of good will.

Finally it seemed that, through dialogue, we had arrived at a consensus that the time is now right, to reconcile a long standing question of human rights through negotiated settlements.

But now Mr. Campbell, driven by some nineteenth century mind-set, will have us believe that through this expensive and divisive process, he will facilitate the important matter of removing the uncertainties that unresolved aboriginal aspirations presents to the economic well-being of our communities and our province.



Larry Guno

We are of the opinion that it will do the exact opposite.

First, the government's decision has clearly alienated the First Nations community, who view this process as an assault on their aboriginal rights that have long recognized and expanded by our highest courts, and enshrined in our constitution.

Indeed, this mule-headed action on the part of this government not only flaunts the tenets of representative government, it undermines the very cornerstone of any effective democratic society, that is to protect minority rights from the tyrannical whims of the majority.

Secondly, many of the questions that are contained in this referendum are unconstitutional, in that the area and scope of the ques-

tions fall outside the jurisdictional powers of the province.

But beyond the clear duty to negotiate, the Supreme Court of Canada, in the Delgamuukw case, stated unequivocally that the Crown is under a moral duty to enter into and conduct those negotiations in good faith. The Liberal government, in undertaking this referendum, unquestionably, is acting in bad faith.

We are proud to state, that our province, with its growing diversity of peoples, has developed a tolerant culture which accepts the differences that now exist amongst us. And in this struggle to co-exist, we have become more appreciative of the fragility of freedom, realizing that the diminishment of one, threatens all.

While it is now too late to stop the Liberal government from taking this reprehensible step, we urge those who want to support the First Nations peoples to heed the instructions of their leaders on how to best demonstrate their support either by boycotting it or spoiling their ballot.

Larry Guno is a lawyer and playwright. He ran as the New Democratic Party candidate in the Skeena riding in the 2000 federal election and writes this as a member of the Action Coalition of Terrace.

Children will suffer from cuts

By KEN HEALEY

FOSTER CARE used to be based on the best interests of the child. A child at risk would be placed with a caring family who slated their home and heart. The child had the opportunity to be exposed to normal family life instead of a dysfunctional one. The child would have routine, rules, and values to guide development.

Everyone would agree that this should be the standard. Everyone except the Ministry for Children and Family Development. The ministry has been told to cut the budget and to start with the children who cost the most - the children and youth in need.

The north has unique problems, beyond the

obvious geographical ones, not faced in the lower mainland. Services are not on the doorstep. Often they are five hours or more away, and involve costs such as child care, loss of pay, gas, motels, meals, etc. Social workers will now determine if services such as medical, dental, orthopedics, orthodontics and various therapies are seen as necessary rather than optional. Foster parents will now be expected to cover the expenses themselves. The ministry will, if the case is pleaded, consider some financial aid if the ministry deems it an emergency, although no member of the staff has the medical background to make this assessment.

These children and youth come from dysfunctional settings, not just poor ones. Some are being sent back to unsafe situations. The ministry's response is "we are willing to admit that there will be fatalities". These children and youth do not have a choice.

Please know that our children surely are worth more than this. Children are being treated as a commodity that can be devalued in order that some bureaucratic hierarchy can be maintained. We ask the minister, Mr. Gordon Hogg, to live by his words and do what "is in the best interests of the child."

Ken Healey is a local foster parent and a member of several foster parent organizations.

It'll cost to recreate out there

Dear Sir:

Recently I read a letter by a local resident and a former member of the Nass Wildlife Committee. It brings to light the soon to be realized price of recreating (fish, hunt, hike etc.) on Nisga'a land.

Considering we have a referendum regarding treaty negotiations, I thought it appropriate to raise awareness of this topic.

It is sometimes difficult to bring up these kinds of subjects because of the potential of being labelled. However it is information we should have so we know what is going on.

If you think it isn't going to happen, it already has. Pine mushroom pickers are already being charged a fee. And soon to be announced in the hunting synopsis are the fees for non-Nisga'a to hunt on Nisga'a land during the 2003 hunting season. Can fishing and hiking or just crossing the land be far behind?

What will these fees be? \$50, \$100, or \$200? Apparently these are the numbers that are being discussed. The treaty only says "reasonable fee". What does that mean?

The Nisga'a treaty has been settled and there is little that can be done about it but what about future treaties that are modelled after this treaty? Imagine the cost and the confusion of dealing with all the treaties that are to be settled in the northwest.

As an example we can likely expect the following. A fee to fish, hunt or recreate in the Haisla lands in and around Kitimat and the Douglas Channel; another fee for the Gitanyow lands along the Skeena near Kitwanga and up the Kitwanga River valley to the Cranberry River; another fee for the Gitksan in the Skeena

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na and Kispiox river areas around Hazelton; another fee for the Wet'suwet'en along the Bulkley and Morice River valleys near Smithers and Houston; another fee for the Nat'oot'en along the Babine River and Lake; another fee for the Tsimshian for the Kalum, Lakelse or Copper Rivers near Terrace and the lower Skeena and Prince Rupert coast areas.

Now instead of being able to purchase one

licence, a person will be required to purchase six aboriginal licenses/permits in addition to the B.C. provincial licence for this relatively small area of the province. Just think of the cost and general complication when you include treaties from across the rest of the province.

It may seem like no big deal now with only one treaty but the rest will be settled some day and the agreements we make will be long lasting.

If we don't say something right now the government negotiators will continue to negotiate these kinds of agreements. Either say something now or expect fewer places to recreate or be willing to pay much more.

Ken Newman, Terrace, B.C.

Labour rights under attack

Dear Sir:

Gordon Campbell and his Liberal government continue their onslaught of attacks on the oppressed and the workers of our society. This is being done by Mr. Campbell to finance the massive tax breaks given mostly to the rich and large corporations.

The Liberals are now focusing their attacks on all workers including those in the private sector. These attacks are being levied through proposed changes in the Labour Code.

The Liberals want to take away your contracts and attack your unions. It will be easier for an employer to bust an existing contract.

Your contract can be ripped up if your company closes for two years. Your contract will

automatically be gone if your employer sells or transfers the business in a bankruptcy.

During June 1987 organized labour stood together in a general provincial strike to fend off proposed changes through Bill 19 as then proposed by the Vander Zalm government.

Many of those proposals in 1987 are exactly the same as those that Mr. Campbell is attempting to ram down our throats now.

The discussion paper is only open for public input until April 11. The B.C. Federation of Labour is demanding a place at the table if changes are going to take place. The labour code must protect the democratic right to be a union member.

Ross Slezak, Terrace, B.C.

NORTHERN HEALTH authority

McConnell Estate

SENIORS SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

The Northern Health Authority is accepting applications for rental housing units at the McConnell Estate, located in Terrace, BC. This complex is new seniors supportive housing that consists of 19 one bedroom apartments, 2 wheel chair equipped units and one 2 bedroom units adjacent to Terraceview Lodge. It's anticipated opening is June 1, 2002.

The tenant selection criteria must be met prior to acceptance. A point score system will be used to identify applicants with the greatest need taking into account: present accommodation, financial situation, health needs. Applications must be 55 and older or qualifying for a disability pension. Additional consideration will be given to local residents and if a spouse or partner resides at Terraceview Lodge.

Potential tenants will be required to have proof of income and will be required to do a health needs assessment. Rent will be geared to income and a fee for services that are provided.

These units are independent living with some health support services. Supported services provided include: one meal per day, emergency response, cleaning of units once monthly, and recreational opportunities.

Additional Services may be available such as: laundry, additional cleaning, additional meals can be provided for an additional fee.

Application forms can be obtained from: Nancy Wilcox, Mills Memorial Hospital, 4720 Haugland Ave., Terrace, BC or call (250) 638-4045.

Applications must be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m., April 22, 2002 for consideration in the June opening.

For further information please contact Peggy Julseth, Housing Program at (250) 638-2261.



Unfortunately, 'AirBC-Air Nova-Air Ontario-Canadian Regional' didn't fit on the side of the plane.

Air Canada's regional airlines have become one: Air Canada Jazz. Still, while our name is new, some things about us remain unchanged. Like the warm and welcoming service upon which we've built our reputation. And we still serve more Canadian communities than anyone else; in fact, we fly to 66 Canadian and 11 American destinations 800 times daily. We'll bring over seven million people together in the next year alone. And, with our Air Canada and Star Alliance partnership, we'll continue to bring you the rest of the world. As for the new name? We like to think 'Jazz' reflects our creative spirit, our freshness, our energy, and our friendly attitude. And, besides, it fits nicely on the sides of our planes. To find out more about us, visit www.flyjazz.ca or call 1-888-247-2262.



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BUSINESS REVIEW

Methanex natural gas deal will cost other users more

By JEFF NAGEL

NATURAL GAS users in this region will pay more as a result of a new deal between Pacific Northern Gas and its largest customer, Methanex Corp.

The seven-year agreement slashes in half the rate Methanex pays PNG to transport gas to its Kitimat methanol plant. It ends a long dispute that had seen Methanex threaten to close its plant permanently.

As a result, PNG's revenues from Methanex will drop and all other users on the system will pick up a greater share of the utility's costs.

An amendment to its rate proposal indicates PNG now wants to increase its gas delivery charges to residential users for this year by 22 per cent, rather than the 17.5 per cent increase it defended before regulators at a hearing here last month.

But a 27.1 per cent decrease in the commodity cost of natural gas will more than offset the delivery charge hikes.

The end result is users will now see only a 9.4 per cent overall reduction of their bills - rather than the 11 per cent cut that went into effect Jan. 1 on an interim basis - as a result of the agreement with Methanex. The small business rate will drop by 10.7 per cent.

The B.C. Utilities Commission will hear arguments on the rate changes at a hearing in Vancouver on Apr. 17.

A decision on the rate requests is expected in May.

But natural gas prices seem to be starting to rise again, warns Richard Ga-

thercole of the B.C. Public Interest Advocacy Centre.

If that happens, he said, rates could soon pop back up, because PNG's rates are recalculated quarterly to reflect gas price changes.

"That rate decrease could disappear very quickly," he said.

Gathercole said the deal doesn't appear to deliver long-term security, because Methanex can pay a penalty to break the contract at any time.

"We're still in the same position," he said. "If this is approved we're going to have to be looking from year to year to see if Methanex continues to operate."

The agreement with Methanex takes effect Nov. 1.

PNG's forecast for 2003 indicates it may end up short \$3.3 million which would have to be recovered from other users as a result of the Methanex deal.

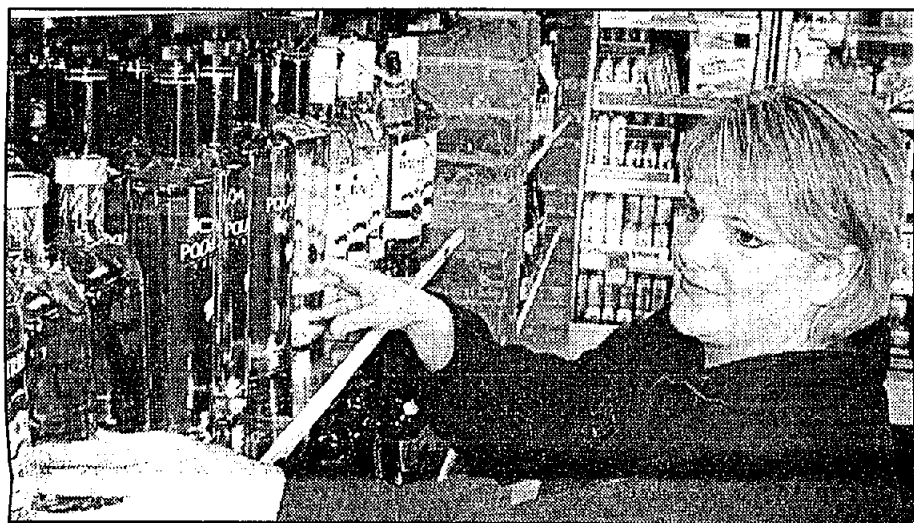
If Skeena Cellulose resumes full operations, its gas consumption may completely offset that shortfall.

But if the mill stays down and Methanex also shuts down, the shortfall could balloon to \$10.2 million.

Methanex officials say the agreement reduces their operations costs by about \$6 million. As part of the deal PNG may get a share of profits from Methanex's Kitimat plant.



Gathercole



MELISSA GAUTHIER stocks vodka at the Northern Motor Inn's cold beer and wine store last Tuesday - the first day spirits could be sold. JEFF NAGEL PHOTO

Four liquor stores here now

LOCAL COLD beer and wine stores began selling hard liquor the instant they were allowed to April 2.

Cabinet decided March 15 to let the shops to stock spirits only government liquor stores could sell.

Business was brisk as customers began to realize there are three new outlets to buy hard liquor here.

"It's been really steady," said Darryn Eves, manager of the Northern cold beer and wine store.

He said many Thornhill

residents are grateful they can buy spirits there without a trip downtown.

Coast Inn of the West manager Doug Barrett said sales started slowly but picked up later.

The outlets expect their biggest day will be Sundays, when the government liquor store is closed.

The cold beer and wine stores sell liquor for around five per cent more than the government store. They purchase it from the liquor store at a 10 per cent dis-

count from retail rates. The difference covers the cold beer and wine stores' overhead and profit.

"I don't think we're going to be any kind of a threat to the liquor store," Barrett said. "I think the convenience is going to be the factor that decides it."

Cold beer and wine stores are also allowed to double in size to a limit of 2,000 square feet. Local operators are considering expansion but are waiting to first gauge demand.



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Several areas of the community centre, including the kitchen area were entered. More than one person is believed to have entered the building. Some liquor was taken from the kitchen area.

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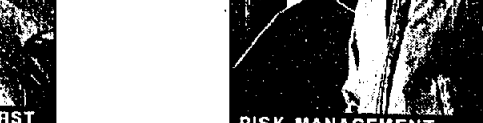
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Extra help called in because of snowfall

AN UNUSUAL spring snow storm March 30 saw road maintenance workers struggling to keep up on local highways.

More than 58cm of snow fell that day, causing very slippery road conditions and a build up slush on the highways.

"The rate of snowfall was very, very high in some locations which requires the addition of resources to those areas," said Nechako North Coast vice president Peter Lansdowne.

The weather forecast for March 30 called for 5-10cm of snow early in the morning. But by mid-afternoon snow was falling at a rate of 5cm per hour in most areas and 8-12cm per hour on parts of Kalum Lake Drive.

On a normal day with no poor weather forecast, there are two Nechako employees out patrolling the highways, says Nechako's operations coordinator Dan Beaulac.

But more crews needed to be called in to help deal with the heavy snow. "We ended up with eight guys working the day shift and a hired grader," Beaulac said.

Two people were also scheduled for

the night shift and six additional crews were called in as well as to two hired graders.

"It's a difficult storm when it's not forecast like that," Beaulac said.

He said the most hard hit areas included parts of Hwy16 West and Kalum Lake Drive.

Kalum Lake Drive got the highest rate of snow fall near Findlay Lake with reports of over two feet of snow on some parts of the road.

Driving advisories were issued shortly after noon, Beaulac added.

The Terrace fire department, which acts as a first responder for highway accidents, did not respond to any accident calls Saturday, March 30.

There was one car accident that day 20km north of Kitimat on Hwy37 South. It occurred at 9 a.m., before the snow storm was in full force.

An eight-year-old girl died after the van she was travelling in lost control, crossed the centre line and landed in the ditch. The accident is still under investigation.

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Road hump plagues drivers

HIGHWAYS OFFICIALS are worried about the erosion of a short section of Hwy16 just west of the level rail crossing about 60km toward Prince Rupert.

The Skeena River is eating first into the CN railbed and then into the road, says local highways manager Don Ramsay.

That's causing the eastbound lane to sink and resulting in a large rock hump in the westbound lane for drivers to either navigate around or over.

"CN has spent hundreds of thousands to try to hold the river away," noted Ramsay.

Highways maintenance crews have placed an asphalt cold mix into the sunken portion of the road, which is anywhere from six inches to a foot in depth,

to raise it up but it continues to settle, he added.

"The problem is if we put in more mix, the weight of it will cause the road to settle even more," Ramsay continued.

One possible measure is to chisel away the rock hump in an effort to restore the road level.

"But there's a tremendous amount of erosion there. The solution is to solve the erosion problem," Ramsay said.

CN has engineers working on the problem and Ramsay said any solution will be a joint project between his ministry and the railway.

In the meantime, highways officials have beefed up their display of driver caution signs and have lowered the speed limit to 40kph.



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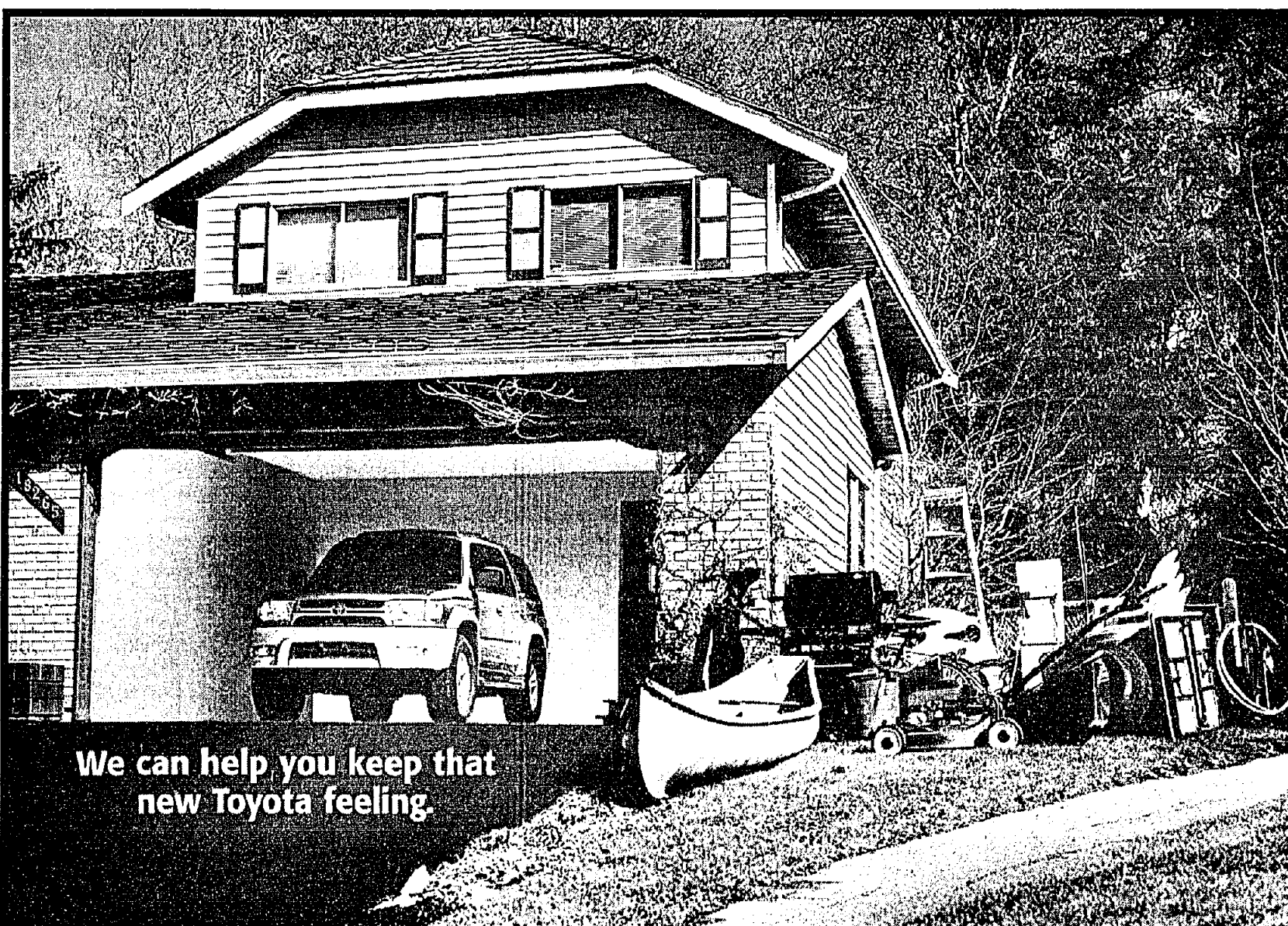


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Man drowns in river in tragic accident

A LOCAL man is dead after a tragic drowning accident on the Skeena River March 27.

Luke Dylan Bevan, 25, and a co-worker were doing a fish survey near Snowbound Creek 80km from Terrace when they crossed over to a large island, said Dave Jephson of Terrace Water Search and Rescue.

"While they were there the river came up and trapped them on the other side," Jephson said.

Police said it appears Bevan tried to swim ashore while his coworker remained behind. Bevan was not successful.

A motorist en route to Prince Rupert noticed Bevan's co-worker waving from the island and reported the man to the

local Department of Fisheries and Oceans office.

Jephson said search and rescue crews left Terrace at 5:10 p.m. March 27 and reached the location at 5:50 p.m.

"We spotted the person on the island and got to him by boat," Jephson said.

Luke Bevan was found shortly afterward downstream and his body was recovered.

Jephson said the tide comes in very quickly around the China Bar and Snowbound Creek area.

"We get called out there about two or three times a year," he said.

A memorial service was held for Bevan on April 1 and his funeral took place April 2.

Fire damages home

A TERRACE family is out of their home after the roof of their log house was destroyed by fire last week.

Terrace and Thornhill firefighters battled the persistent fire which started shortly before noon for over three hours April 2.

The large log home is located at 5145 Case Lane in north Terrace.

The fire is estimated to have caused \$100,000 damage, said Terrace fire chief Randy Smith.

He said it appears the fire started around the stone chimney.

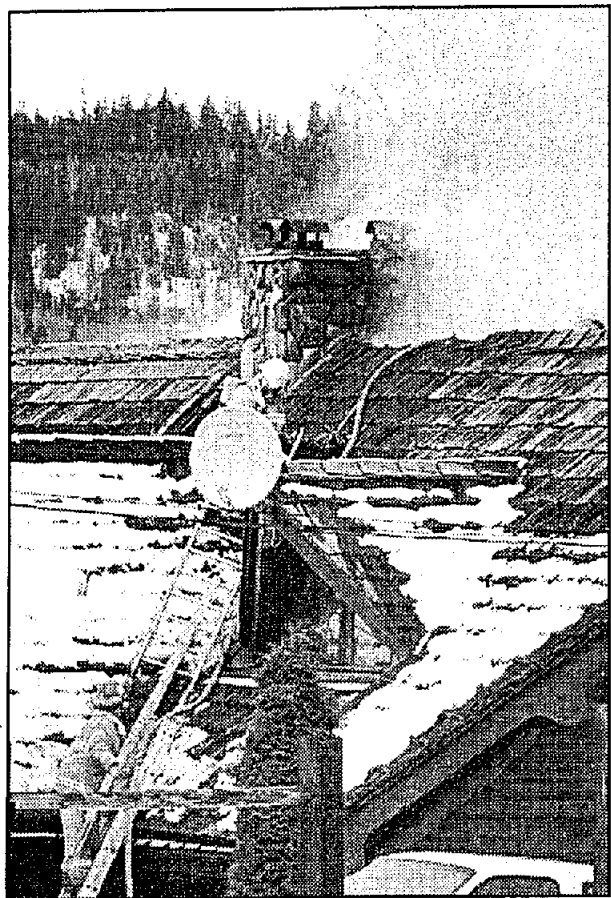
A cracked liner is suspected to have allowed high heat or a spark to ignite a fire in the nearby cedar shake shingles.

"The fire did run the length and width of the roof on one side," Smith said.

Smith said early detection in any house fire is crucial to salvaging contents and limiting fire damage.

"Fires grow so fast whether it's a log house or a typical single family dwelling in Terrace here," Smith said. "Minutes count so much."

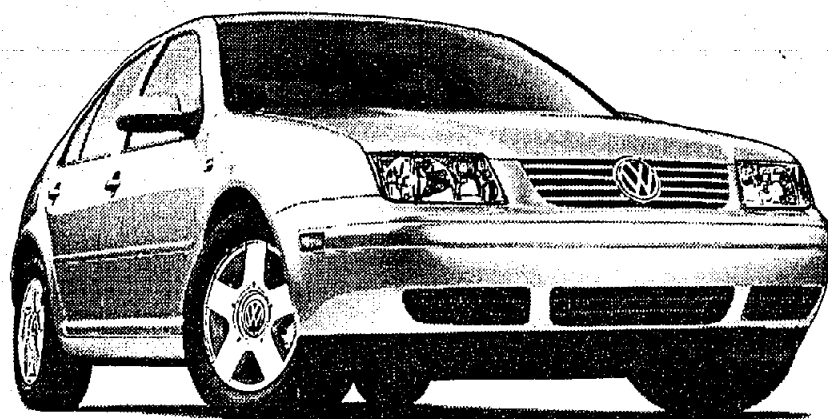
Firefighters and neigh-



FIREFIGHTERS SPENT three hours battling a house fire on Case Lane north of town April 2. The fire destroyed the roof of the log structure and officials estimate overall damage at \$100,000.

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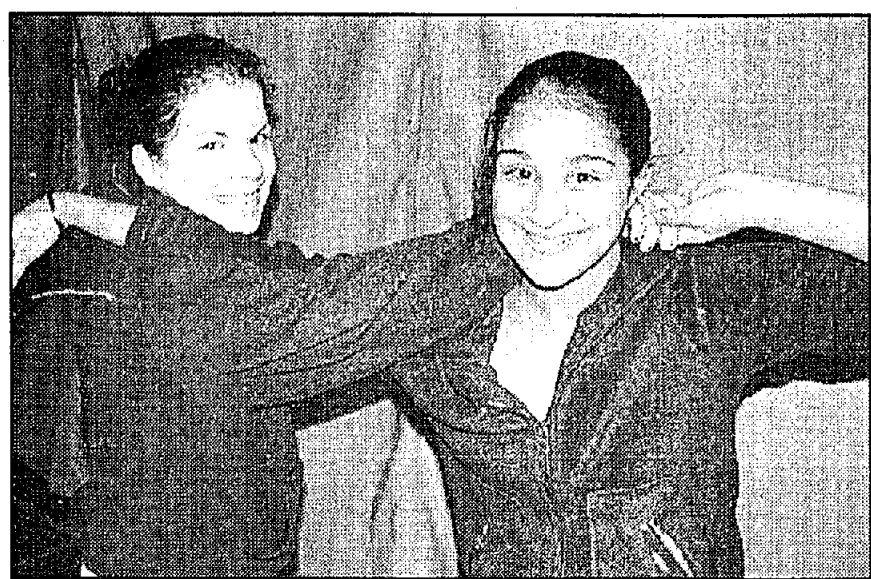
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Air fare won't decline despite security shift

AIR CANADA passengers can't expect a price break now that security screening has been taken over by a new federal agency.

The new agency began its work April 1 and passengers are being charged \$12 one-way over and above ticket costs and other fees to pay for measures brought in as a result of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Security screening had been the responsibility of airlines before and the cost was included in tickets.

But Dennis Erickson, an official of the newly-named Air Canada Jazz regional carrier, says the airline has new additional security measures which cost money over and above metal detectors and hand-baggage searches.

"There is new security on cockpit doors and enhancements behind the scenes that quite frankly I can't discuss which have new costs," he said.

"We are working with Transport Canada on those new enhancements."

The new \$12 tax and the new Canadian Air Transport Security Agency is being heavily criticized by smaller carriers such as Terrace's Hawkair because it is a set rate regardless of distance

flown or ticket cost.

As well, Hawkair passengers don't go through traditional screening when leaving Terrace or when departing from the south terminal at the Vancouver airport.

But while Vancouver airport officials have promised some extra security measures at the south terminal, the extent of them or a timetable to bring them in has yet to be established.

The people who man the screening station at the airport here are either already working directly for the new federal security agency or will be soon, says a Transport Canada official.

Jacqueline Roy said the new security agency did not take over all screening at every airport automatically on April 1.

"In some cases, those people will still be paid by the airlines for now and the airlines will be reimbursed," she said.

The new agency is also developing certification requirements for screeners, Roy added.

Meanwhile, local airport society president Frank Hamilton said new screening equipment has arrived and is awaiting installation once screeners have been trained in its use.

Senate pitch on tax falls short

SENATORS listened intently to Hawkair's Dave Menzies in Ottawa March 25 but ultimately approved the contentious federal air security surcharge.

"They all lined up like good soldiers and did their duty," said Menzies, one of eight expert industry witnesses who testified before the Senate finance committee.

The \$12 surcharge - \$24 for a round-trip flight - took effect April 1.

"It's very disappointing that they've ignored all the evidence and they're just doing it anyway," Menzies said on his re-

turn to Terrace. "It's a mindless tax grab is what it is."

"The government's done an amazing job of ignoring the expert testimony from industry groups on this."

Menzies said the security fee will collect more money from passengers at the Terrace airport than the entire budget for the airport's operations.

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Avalanche strands hundreds on Shames

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN

NEARLY 300 skiers and snowboarders were stranded overnight on Shames Mountain March 30 when an avalanche closed the access road.

Transportation ministry avalanche technicians say a sudden dump of snow and strong winds are to blame for the slide which occurred in mid-afternoon.

Skiers and snowboarders at the resort – including over 60 youngsters and teens whose parents were not with them – had to spend the night on the mountain.

Kayla Yagelniski, 13, was one of those teens.

"We were pretty excited because it was something different," she said.

She said the youngsters took advantage of the situation by building jumps on the bunny hill and enjoying the huge amount of fresh powder.

Those stuck at the hill were offered soup and chili in the evening and a pancake breakfast in the morning thanks to volunteers who pitched in to help cook, said Shames Mountain administrator April Atwell.

Clothing from the resort's lost and found was distributed to those without a change of clothing.

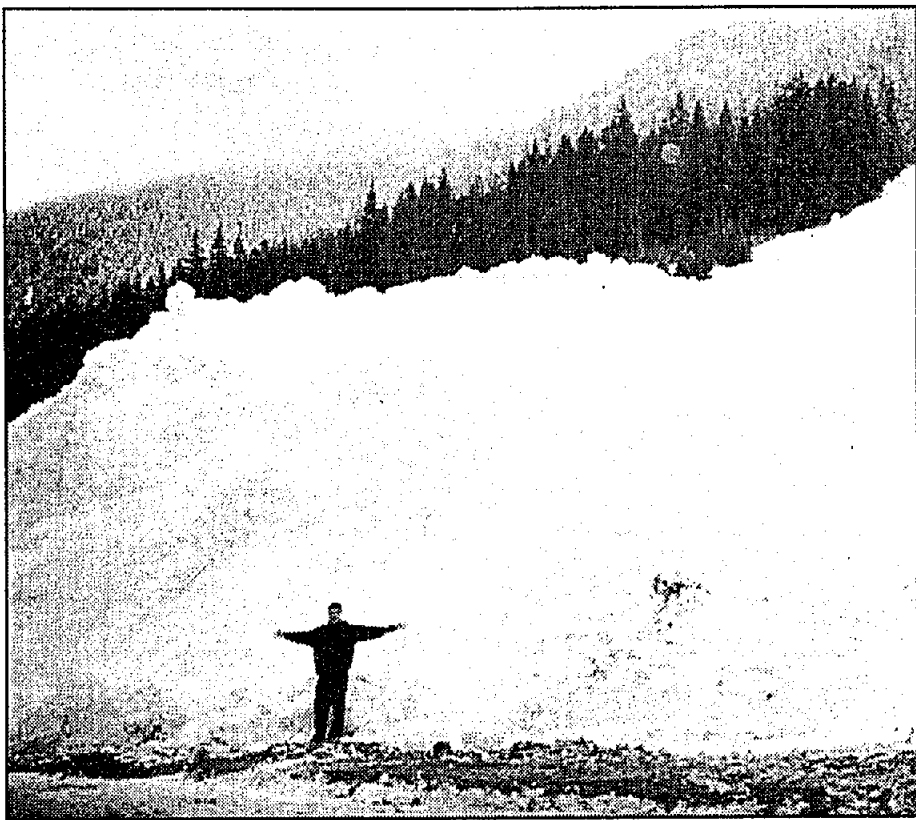
Overnight, people slept in every available space the hill could provide.

"Everybody pretty much found a spot wherever and just crashed," Atwell said.

"The rental shop, ski school room, chalet, benches and tables – there were people everywhere."

The slide swept down a mountain off the Shames Mountain road leaving 2-5 metres of snow piled up over a 25 metre stretch of road, said highways avalanche technician Tony Moore.

Before the debris and



AN AVALANCHE which stranded nearly 300 people on Shames Mountain March 30 dwarfs this person who stopped for a closer look after it had been cleared. Those stranded slept anywhere they could until the road was cleared.

snow could be cleared, further avalanche risk needed to be assessed.

"We wanted to go up and see if there was any unstable snow that could have come down before we sent crews to come in and do clean up work," Moore said.

But with the snow falling heavily well into the night on March 30, technicians weren't able to get up in a helicopter until skies cleared the next day.

Technicians dropped five bombs from a helicopter on the avalanche's pathway before giving the go-ahead for the clean up.

"We got avalanches with each one but they stopped far above the road," Moore said.

Despite the road closure, three people stuck at the hill opted to walk down the 13km road to the highway – hiking across

the avalanche path in the process, said Moore.

"When we have a road closed that's because we think there's going to be avalanches affecting the road that will be big enough to damage or destroy a vehicle," Moore said.

"It's dangerous and foolish for people to walk through a closed road because of high avalanche hazard."

Those three young people did make it down safely, but Moore said it's the kind of activity he advises against in the future.

Shames Mountain recorded 58cm which fell between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. the day of the avalanche, said Moore.

The avalanche struck in mid-afternoon, only half way through the rare spring snowstorm.

"This was definitely unusual," Moore said. "It

was definitely the most intense snowfall we had this year."

Weather forecasts from Saturday morning predicted between 5 and 10 cm. of snow. By mid-afternoon snow was falling at a rate of 5 cm per hour, said ministry officials.

"It was under forecast by a long way," Moore added of the snow fall.

This was the second avalanche in the same spot in less than two months.

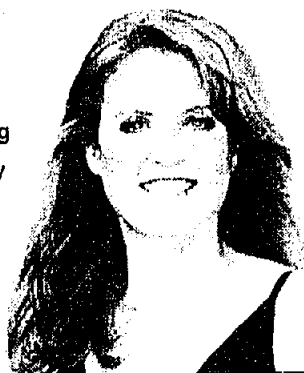
The last one was a controlled avalanche triggered by technicians Feb. 15. That one left 280 skiers up at the hill before the snow was cleared that same evening at 6:30 p.m.

Moore said this is the fourth time an avalanche has closed the Shames Mountain road since it has been open. The first was in December 1999.

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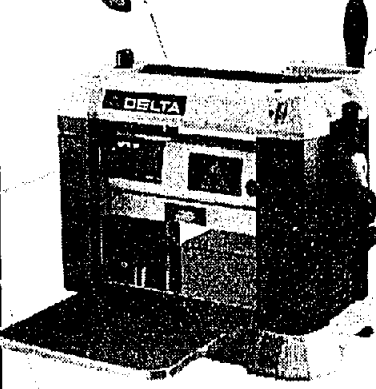


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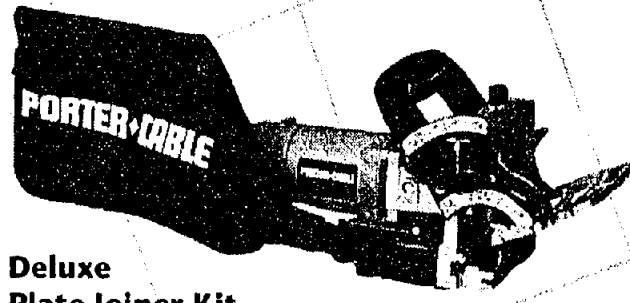
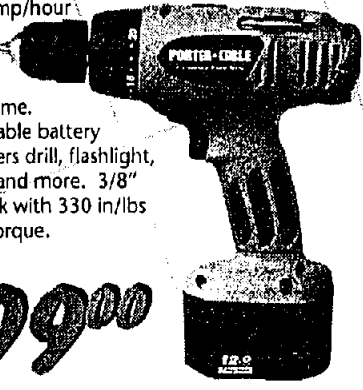
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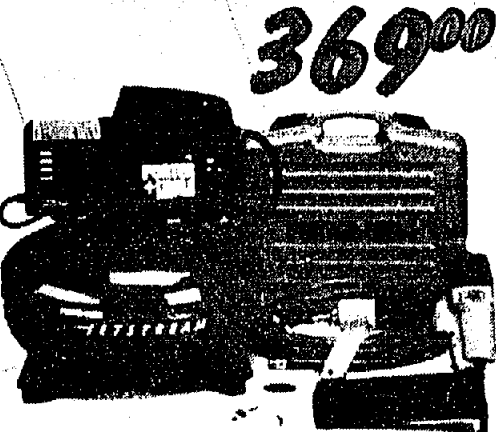


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New school renamed

THE NEW school on the bench was given a new name last week by the Action Coalition of Terrace.

About a dozen members of the coalition gathered April 4 and unveiled a sign changing the name of Mountainview to "Roger B. Harris Memorial Elementary."

The re-naming after the Skeena Liberal MLA was done to note the decision by the school board several weeks ago to never open the as-of-yet uncompleted school, said coalition speaker Gail Murray.

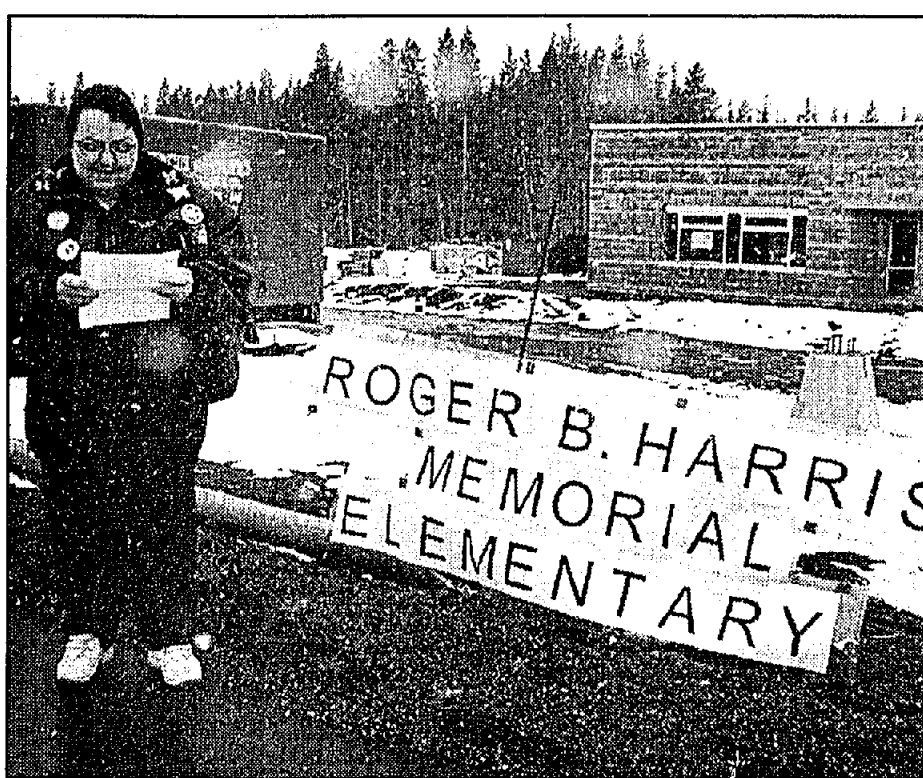
(The board has since rescinded, at least temporarily, its decision to close Mountainview and five other schools in Kitimat, Terrace and Stewart.)

"It will sit empty due to the funding cuts his government has made to the education budget," said Murray.

She noted that declining enrolments are only part of the reason for the closure decision.

Other reasons include the school district getting less money from the province and having to pay for teacher salary increases without any additional financial help.

"We are here today to give thanks to Roger Har-



MARG Saulnier reads out one of her poems April 4 at a small ceremony held by the Action Coalition of Terrace to rename the unfinished Mountainview school after Skeena Liberal MLA Roger Harris. The school is to be finished this fall but the school board, citing budget cuts, doesn't want to open it.

ris, our MLA, for a lot of empties," said Murray.

Her list included the correctional centre, day care centre at the college, mammography room at Mills Memorial, plans for a dialysis unit and local sawmills empty with raw logs being exported.

Also speaking was local conservationist Renee Mikaloff who said the new government has further cut environmental and parks programs by an average of 30 per cent.

She noted that the old provincial government had also cut programs by as

much as 50 per cent of what they were in the early 1990s.

Marg Saulnier also read a poem, the last line of which indicated Harris could expect a recall campaign to start up later this year.

Delay in school closures means additional layoffs

By JENNIFER LANG
DELAYING a decision to close five schools while a 60-day public consultation process takes place may actually be more agonizing.

Forty teachers would have lost their jobs and the district would have saved about \$2.2 million annually if the decision had gone ahead.

Impending layoffs will be substantially higher because the district won't know until the end of May known how many schools - if any - will close.

Terrace's teachers must receive notice of layoffs before May 15, while Kitimat teachers must be notified by the end of April.

District superintendent Randy Smallbrugge expected some employees will be hired back, once a final decision on school closures is made.

"We are now being rushed into making a hasty decision," secretary treasurer Marcel Georges said. "School closures will now be made after the budget has been passed."

He warned teacher layoffs will be all over the map as the district looks to make the necessary financial savings.

School board vice chair Peter King agreed.

"The problem is, when you're laying off people, you're laying off junior people," King said. "You're literally laying off two teachers for the price of one senior teacher, so it's just going to decimate the district."

While it's not yet known what the actual number of layoffs will be, Kitimat trustee Barry Pankhurst warned it will be substantially higher without knowing which schools will close.

"Here we would be laying off one in five," Pankhurst said. "In Vancouver it's one in eight."

If that's true, then more

than 100 teachers here could lose their jobs.

While Pankhurst also held out the possibility that the board could back down from school closures, if communities make a strong case, he said the board is now considering every school for closure.

"This board has taken the position we would rather have a teacher in the classroom and a janitor cleaning that school rather than having a school that's near empty or with no people in it," Pankhurst said.

"The school is just the building. The program is what's important. People have to realize that."

School district administrators are now figuring out the dates and locations for a series of public meetings on school closures.

The news comes just days after staff, students and parents at five schools, including Parkside and Copper Mountain elementary, had been told their schools would close.

"Now, all those wounds are going to be reopened again," Kitimat trustee Peter King said. "They have to relive all that pain again."

King said eight teachers can be hired back for every school that closes.

He said the school board is considering setting up a committee with representatives from different groups to review the deficit situation.

The board had originally decided to close five schools to save \$2,276,896 each year in supplies, utility costs, snow removal, salaries and benefits, and in some cases, rent.

Topping the list were Copper Mountain Elementary, which would have saved the district \$480,000 a year, and Alexander Elementary in Kitimat, worth another \$500,837.

Closing Parkside Elementary in Terrace would

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Forget about moving sawmill, angry NWBC boss tells city

By JEFF NAGEL

DAN VENIEZ says mayor Jack Talstra can forget about his dream to relocate Skeena Cellulose's sawmill to the airport lands, freeing up valuable real estate in the heart of Terrace.

The president of NWBC Timber and Pulp says the city will get no cooperation from him on that idea after Terrace city council tried hard to torpedo the sale of Skeena last week.

Creditors voted Apr. 2 to approve the sale, but Terrace opposed it and tried to convince either Prince Rupert or Port Edward to also vote no and scuttle the deal.

Venez said Terrace council had asked him to agree to pay for part of a feasibility study that would examine the possibility of relocating the sawmill.

"They think it's an eyesore in the middle of the city," Venez said.

"I agreed to maybe fund half of a feasibility study as a gesture to the city," he said. "I'm not going to fund anything of that sort now - or any

other idea they might bring to my attention they might want me to fund or participate in."

He said city council has poisoned its relationship with him by trying to push SCI into bankruptcy and scuttle NWBC's bid.

"I would have hoped to have a constructive working relationship with council. They've made that impossible," he said.

"I do not trust the mayor nor members of city council who made this foolish decision."

Venez suggested Terrace voters should take into account council's handling of the issue.

"There are elections in November," he said. "I sure hope the citizens in Terrace think carefully about the choice they have to make."

Venez said he wouldn't let the discord with the city affect SCI's workers in Terrace.



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Pulp union backed sale to NWBC

"Thank goodness more reasonable heads prevailed here and we don't have a bankrupt company to deal with," Venez said.

The sale was approved in court Thursday and is slated to close April 29.

Meanwhile, Venez says he is embarking on consultations with natives and others in connection with the transfer of SCI's forest licences. Friday is the deadline for comments on the licence transfer.

He's also ramping up efforts to raise financing now that the deal is approved. "Now we have the ability to move aggressively into the market-

place," Venez said.

Venez said he's aiming for a mid-summer re-start of the pulp mill and sawmills, and perhaps a bit earlier for logging.

A war of words between Venez and unionized pulp

Bartolo.

He said he supported the yes vote and believes Venez is on the right path.

"He made himself a good deal," de Bartolo said. "He has a good operation. He has a tax-

ability, and move this process forward."

De Bartolo said north-westerners will be watching to see that NWBC operates differently than its predecessor, Repap Enterprises, which many accuse of draining profits from the operation for ventures in eastern Canada.

Venez was a vice-president in Repap and Repap chairman George Petty is chairing NWBC.

"We're going to be watching him," de Bartolo said. "We're going to be watching where that money goes. We learned a bitter lesson last time around."

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workers appeared to ease as the sale was approved.

"It is imperative now that we move on and turn this into a successful operation," said union local president Frank de

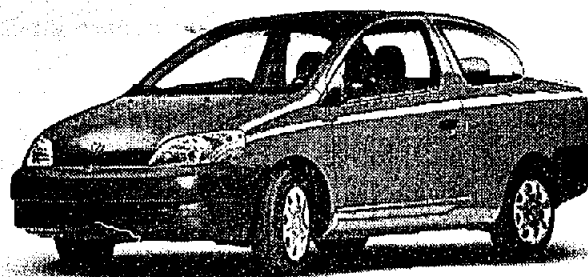
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Fourteen artists received grants last year. One used the grant to learn how to silkscreen photographic images onto a clay surface.

Another artist learned storytelling and how to take traditional regalia from a First Nations elder. A third grant recipient learned how to build helium-filled structures.

Applicants should be planning to learn from a senior artist, mentor or elder. Self-guided programs will also be considered.

Applications will be evaluated on the basis of merit and quality of their proposals.

Those people who've reached a stage in their career where they would truly benefit from this type of exploration are strongly encouraged to apply.

The Visual Arts Development Award program, now in its sixth year, was initiated and is financially supported by the Vancouver Foundation. It's administered by the the Contemporary Art Gallery in Vancouver at 555 Nelson St.

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Peter Kvarnstrom

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The sale, now in its sixth year, is enormously popular.

"The flowers were all gone in two hours and we had 1,600 plants last year," she says.

All proceeds go back to the community in the form of beautification projects. This year's fund raising efforts will support a landscaping initiative underway at the rest stop near the Old Skeena Bridge.

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Call Judy or Howard at 638-1237 or Alison at 638-0063 to make arrangements.

The beautification society is also looking for donations of flower pots, preferably five inches in diameter or larger.

This year's sale takes place May 11 at City Hall. It starts at 8 a.m.

Mourning Mum

A loyal Subject

By JENNIFER LANG

KATHY BAXTER, a woman who has mingled with British royalty more than once over the years, found herself reminiscing about the late Queen Mother last week.

On Thursday night, she set her alarm so she could wake at 2 a.m. to watch the funeral procession through Central London to Westminster Hall live on television.

"It was really quite impressive," Baxter said Friday afternoon. "I think the last time I saw something like that was when Winston Churchill died."

Baxter, a prairie flower who was born in Winnipeg to English parents, has lived on both sides of the Atlantic during her 74 years.

She's seen the Queen Mother in person three times; first in 1942, when King George VI and his Queen, the Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon, visited Rochester, England.

Baxter's father worked at the Shorts Brothers factory producing fuel tanks for Sterling bombers during the Second World War.

He told his daughters the King and Queen would visit the next day — but not to tell anyone.

"We were sworn to secrecy," Baxter said.

The next morning, the 13-year-old and her sister, 9, were the only two people standing outside the airport to welcome the royal couple.

"The King and Queen gave a good wave at us," she remembered. "We were thrilled to bits."

The Queen Mother earned enduring admiration for her refusal to leave London during the Second World War.

"They were quite amazing. They would travel all over England to see people, particularly the areas that had been seriously bombed. It was a risky thing to do," Baxter said.

She saw the Queen Mother again in the early 1970s at a garden party at Buckingham Palace when she joined celebrations in honour of the National Council of Social Services.

The Queen Mother wore a pale mauve dress, but it was Queen Elizabeth II who caught Baxter's attention.

"She had beautiful skin and she had lovely eyes. She's a bit like the Queen Mother — when she



ROYAL WATCHER Kathy Baxter saw the Queen Mum in person three times. She admired her listening skills.

looks at you she's really interested," Baxter said.

She brushed elbows with royalty a third time — in 1986, the year Baxter's 20 years of volunteer service with the Citizen's Advice Council earned her a Member of the British Empire, an order of knighthood.

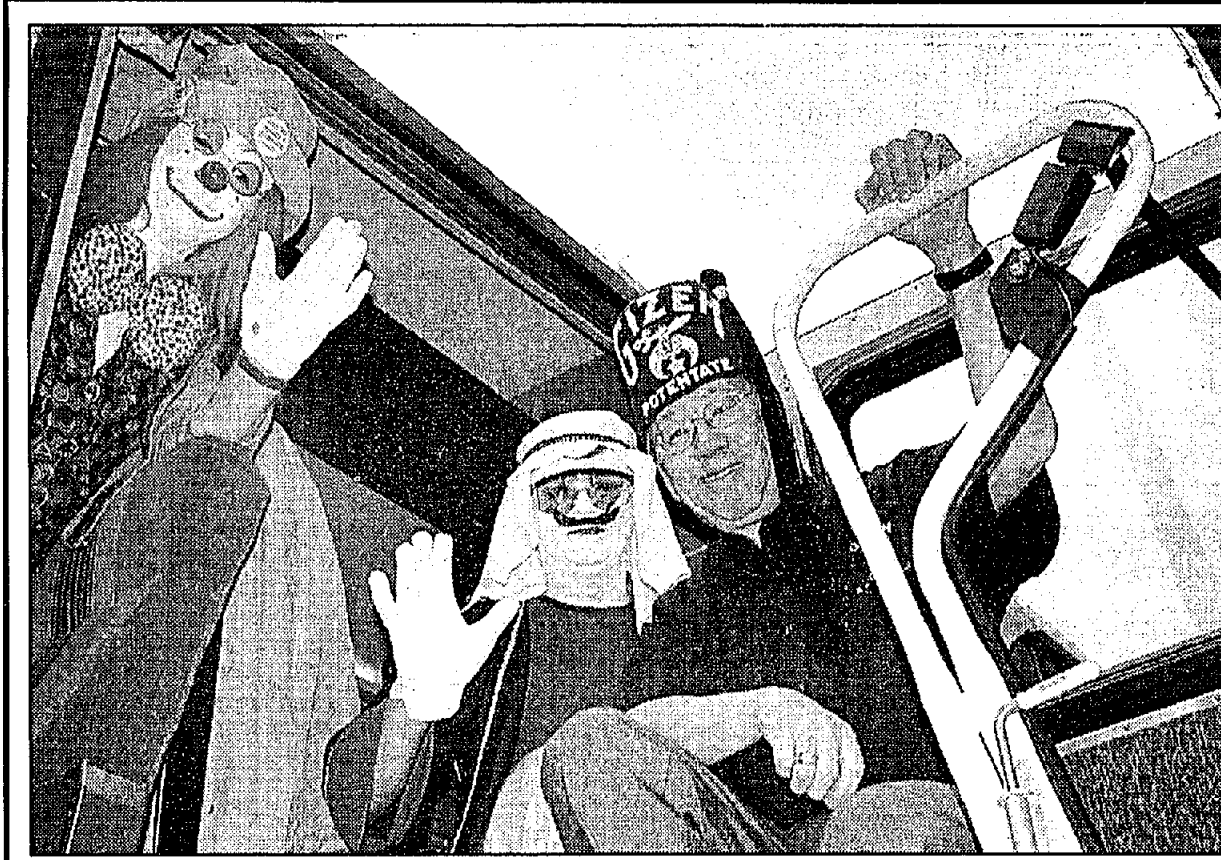
Baxter, a present-day volunteer with the Mills Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, had dispensed advice through a weekly radio show for 11 years, among other contributions.

Her service earned her the

MBE, bestowed by the Queen at a special ceremony that included the Queen Mother and other dignitaries.

Baxter's affection for the royal family traces back to 1937, when the Queen and King George IV toured Canada. She still has the cream-coloured certificate Winnipeg school children were given to mark the visit.

Just in case, she has this advice if you're ever in the presence of royalty: "Don't speak until you're spoken to, like at school. Smile, and that's it."



Bus boys

CLOWNS Tomie and Abdo join Potentate Stanley Yee on the lift into the new Shrine bus. The bus has been outfitted with \$200,000-worth of renovations that make it into a travelling medical room. It's going to be a comfortable way to transport young medical patients to Shriners Hospitals in the United States from Vancouver. About 10 patients from the Terrace Kitimat area receive free medical treatment at Shriners Hospitals each year. Yee, head of Shrine Clubs in B.C. and the Yukon, came to Terrace March 23 for an installation of officers ceremony.

Nisga'a Treaty inspires new exhibit at Royal B.C. Museum

By JENNIFER LANG

THE SOUND of drumming and singing will fill the Royal B.C. Museum Saturday, when Nisga'a elders, dignitaries and guests will open a new exhibit — the Nisga'a Treaty Gallery.

It's a permanent display showcasing the Nisga'a people and their 113-year struggle to resolve the land question.

"We are expecting a large crowd," said Fran Johnson, manager of the Ayuukhl Nisga'a department of the Nisga'a Lisims Government. "It's going to be a real day of celebration."

Johnson has already seen the exhibit and she's pleased with the results.

"Looking at the exhibit will give people a better understanding of the Nisga'a people," she said last week, as she worked on preparations for the cultural component of Saturday's opening ceremony.

The display uses photographs, portraits, artifacts, maps, video and sounds to bring Nisga'a culture, and the quest for a treaty, to life.

For example, gallery-goers will hear the sound of a Nisga'a woman singing a traditional song as they gaze at photographs of people and places in the Nass Valley.

A large stone bowl sits on a pedestal at the centre of the round room that forms part of the

exhibit. It represents the Nisga'a philosophy of the Common Bowl, the concept of sharing demonstrated in the feast system — and in the framework of the treaty itself.

Along with all eight volumes of the Nisga'a Treaty, several other artifacts are on display, including a ladle, a moon mask and a bent wood box, are displayed in the Nisga'a Treaty Gallery. Johnson said those artifacts were already part of the museum's collection.

Gallery officials expect about a half a million people a year will see the new exhibit, located inside the museum's First Nations Gallery.

The museum spearheaded the project soon after the treaty received royal assent from Parliament in Ottawa, on April 13, 2000 — coincidentally, two years to the day before the treaty gallery's official opening.

Members of the Nisga'a Ts'amiks Vancouver Society in the Lower Mainland are planning to send a contingent to Victoria for the opening ceremony, including about 50 dancers.

A delegation of Nisga'a Lisims Government officials, including the elders council and ex-



Edmund Wright

ecutive members Edmund Wright, Herbert Morven and Joseph Gosnell, will also attend.

Johnson said two matriarchs, Doris Tate of New Aiyansh and Emma Nyce of Gitwinksihlkw, will perform the ribbon cutting ceremony.

The ribbon will be made from customary cedar bark.

Four chiefs, Horace Stevens from Lakalzap, Jacob Nyce from Gitwinksihlkw, Rod Robinson from New Aiyansh and Hubert Stevens from Gingolx, will then call out the Nisga'a name for the exhibit, *Hoohlganhl Nisga'a*.

"The Nisga'a name is rather a tongue-twister," Johnson said.

"It basically means the 'treasure chest of the Nisga'a', meaning a wooden chest."

"It engulfs everything. It holds everything that is valuable to the Nisga'a."

Rev. Rod Robinson will then perform a blessing.

The extensive guest list also includes Lieutenant Governor Iona Campagnola, First Nations leaders, and provincial and federal government officials.

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CONCERTS

The New Orleans Connection performs April 13 at the R.E.M. Lee at 7:30 a.m. Don't miss this Canadian-made jazz ensemble. Tickets at Sight and Sound in the Skeena Mall. Tickets at Sight and Sound.

The New Orleans Connection holds free workshops at 1 and 3 p.m. April 12. Low brass and woodwind, at Caledonia, trumpet and percussion workshops at Skeena. Registration not required. Everyone welcome! At 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. April 13,

trumpet workshops at Caledonia, Low brass, woodwind and rhythm section workshops at Skeena.

The Pacific Northwest Music Festival's **Scholarship Competition** 6:30 p.m. April 19 and the **Gala Performance and Awards Night** featuring highlights of the 37th annual music festival, at 7:30 p.m. April 20 at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre. Tickets at Sight and Sound.

The 37th **Pacific Northwest Music Festival** April 8-20. The annual festival and competition takes place at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre, the Terrace Pentecostal Assembly, the Terrace Evangelical Free Church and the Zion Baptist Church.

Women Say, Women Sing Coffee House, Elks Hall, Saturday April 27 at 7:30 p.m. Featuring talented local singers, groups and musicians. Silent auction featuring artworks by local women. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the Terrace Transition House building fund.

THEATRE

Award-winning director Daniel Barnswell brings the madcap comedy **Art Attack** to the Terrace stage. Written by Vancouver playwright Kico Gonzalez-Risso and featuring a knockout ensemble of local talent, the Terrace Little Theatre pulls out all the stops in this delicious farce. Presented to April 6 at the McColl Playhouse. Tickets at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel.

Terrace Little Theatre presents a play reading of Andrew Bovell's *Speaking In Tongues*, April 16 at the McColl Playhouse. The reading begins at 7:30 p.m.

Yuk Yuk's comedy. Two nights of laughs featuring headliner Daryl Makk and guest Tony Binns. One show 9 p.m. Friday, April 19 and two shows, at 7 and 9:15 p.m., April 20. At the Best Western Terrace Inn.

Someday, Drew Hayden Taylor's comic drama about an aboriginal woman who wins the lottery - and tries to reunite with the daughter she was forced to give up for adoption, presented by the Skeena River Players two nights only, April 26 and 27, at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre. Showtime at 8 p.m. Tickets at Elan Travel, Kitsumkalum Band Office, House of Sim-Oi-Ghets and Skeena River Players home at 4720A Lazelle Avenue.

First Nations playwright Drew Dayden Taylor holds a public play reading at the McColl Playhouse, 3625 Kalum St., at 7:30 p.m. April 30. Admission is free. Co-sponsored by Terrace Little Theatre, Theatre Alive, and Skeena River Players.

VISUAL ARTS

Walk-a-bout, an exhibit featuring the works of Terrace artist Peter Dickson, opens Friday, April 12 and continues at the Terrace Art Gallery until May 12. Peter Dickson will be giving an artist talk Saturday, April 20 from noon to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be available. Art Gallery Hours: Wed. to Sat. from noon to 4 p.m. Friday from noon to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.

The Terrace Art Gallery's Spring Arts and Craft sale is May 25. Entry forms are available at the art gallery. Deadline is May 17.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Northwest Injured Workers Association, a registered non profit society assisting people with WCB problems, meets at 7 p.m. at the Kin Hut. For info call Jim at 635-9121.

General Meeting Skeena River Players First Nations theatre company Wednesday, April 10th 7:00 p.m. 4720A Lazelle Ave. All members urged to attend. Call Marianne 635-8873 for information. Bring a friend!

APRIL 10, 11 AND 12

Tsimshian Nation Special Assembly April 10, 11, and 12, at the Jim Ciccone Civic Centre, Prince Rupert. Registration starts at 8 a.m. daily. Call the Tsimshian Tribal Council at 627-8782 for information.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

Are you struggling to make ends meet? If so, you are invited to help plan a community response to hungry children and youth. Our committee is made up of community service agencies and individuals committed to finding long-term solutions. Join us. The next meeting is Thursday, April 11 at the Terrace Churches Food Bank, from 11 a.m. to noon. Kids welcome. Call 638-1863 for more information.

Cancer Support Group for family and friends meets at the Stepping Stones Clubhouse at 4450 Grieg Ave. This group meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. For info call Craig at 635-0049.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

General Meeting of the Lakelse Community Association. April 21 at 2 p.m. at the Mount Layton Hot Springs Resort. Info: Ian at 798-9500.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Free lawyer's assistance in criminal, family and civil law at the Kermode Friendship Society, 3313 Kalum St. You qualify if you do not qualify for legal aid and you cannot afford a lawyer. Half hour appointment step by step advice to resolution, lawyers in Civil law. Appointment dates: April 11. Call 635-7670 for an appointment.

The Greater Terrace Beautification Society needs donations of perennial plants and pots (preferably 5" in diameter or larger) for fundraising plant sale. Call Judy or Howard at 638-1237.

One Step, a women's drop-in group, meets every Wednesday from 1:30-3 p.m. at Ksan House Society. An opportunity for women to join with other women in sharing, listening and connecting. For more info or to arrange a childcare subsidy, please call 635-2373.

Do you wish your child behaved differently or that you had more patience? Is parenting a challenge? "Parenting Young Children", a six-session course for parents of children from birth to six years. Mondays April 22- May 27 1-3:15 p.m. At the Family Place, 4553 Park Ave. Call 638-1863 to register.

Volunteers are needed to canvas in the Terrace area for the Canadian Cancer Society's

door-to-door campaign.

Attention Caledonia Grads of 1982. Our 20-year reunion is scheduled for July 26, 27 and 28. If you're a Cal grad, or know someone who is, please call us for more info. Jacqui Munson at 635-6302 or John Evans at 635-1400. Or log onto www.grad82.com

Is your child starting kindergarten this year? Prekindergarten immunization clinics at the Terrace Health Unit May 9, 10 and 16. By appointment. Call 638-2200 or drop in to 3412 Kalum St.

Southside and downtown residents - are you interested in joining a community garden? A community garden is for individuals, kids and families who plant, grow, and harvest a garden together. Share the work and harvest a bounty. Interested? Call Jennifer at 635-4631 and leave a message.

The Kitimat Hospice Society facilitates a teleconference April 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The topic: Living With Grief: Loss in Later Life. The elderly are often disenfranchised, ignored and under-served grievers. Call Dorothy at 632-4044 for more information.

BC Epilepsy is launching a network of support programs in our community and they're looking for great volunteers. If you have a few hours each week to spare, and would welcome the opportunity to be trained and would like to make a difference, call 1-866-EPILEPSY.

The Family History Centre (genealogy) is open every Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. Call Laura at 635-3190 for more information.

Youth Opportunities Odd Job Registry has many people who are looking for odd jobs. Do you need casual help? Call 635-3812.

Gitlaxdax Sayt K'illim Goothl Nisga'a (Terrace Nisga'a Cultural Dancers) meet every Monday at the Skeena Health Unit Auditorium 3412 Kalum St. (side door entrance) at 6:30 p.m. For more information please contact Keane or Cindy at 615-4723.

The Northwest B.C. Metis Association will meet every third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. in room 205 at Interconnect. For more info please call Frank at 849-5060 or Shelley at 635-0772.

The Canadian Cancer Society Resource Centre, 301-4722 Lakelse Ave., is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For information about emergency aid or the Cancer Peer Support programs call 638-8583.

The Kermode Friendship Centre offers a range of youth activities open to ages 13-18. Fit for Life Sundays, workshops Mondays from 6:30-8 p.m., Quit smoking program Tuesdays 6:30-8 p.m. Gym night Wednesdays 6:30-8 p.m. Movie and popcorn Fridays from 4-6 p.m., **After-school program** for ages 7-12 years Mondays from 3:30-5 p.m., Tuesdays-Fridays 3:30-4:30. Call 635-4906 for information on these and other programs at Kermode Friendship Society.

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Weight: 6 lbs. 10 oz. **Sex:** Male
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Little brother for Joren

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April 8-20 - Northwest Music Festival

April 13 - New Orleans Jazz Connection 7:30 p.m.

April 19 - Music Festival Scholarship Evening 6:30 p.m.

April 20 - Music Festival Gala 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for all Music Festival shows available at Sight & Sound in the Skeena Mall

April 26 & 27 - Skeena River Players present "Someday" - a touching and funny play about Aboriginal children on reserve being "scooped up" in the 1950's and 1960's - 8:00 p.m.

Tickets available at Elan Travel or Kitsumkalum Reserve

Terrace Concert Society Tickets Available at Erwin's House of Fine Jewellery in the Skeena Mall	Terrace Little Theatre Tickets Available at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel
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Trout Travels 5

By the time Kenny had suited up and made his way back to the riverbank the sun was climbing above the mountains. The valley was slowly filling with light that was filtered by a mist and broken by the trees before it reached the river leaving the surface of the water brindled.

As he took a few steps into the river, a dark crimson fish quivered as if it had suffered an electric shock and bolted under bars of shadow before disappearing into greener water.

Old coho, thought Kenny. He waded to his knees, stripping line from his reel. He lifted the rod smoothly, hauled sharply on the line and sent it behind him. He brought the rod forward, enjoying its flex and the sound it made as it sliced through the cool air, with a crisp snap of his wrist he brought it to the rear once again, then pulled sharply down with his left hand as he brought the rod to the front once more, sending the fly fifty feet over the water this time, where it landed gently, leaving a small ring just downstream of the place where the startled salmon had vanished.

More black and blood red fish scattered before him as Kenny worked downstream rhythmically. The rugged rocks set down along the far bank to keep the Vedder off the bottom land that had been stolen from it then converted to fields, were the only structure in this stretch of river. The bottom was sand and pea-sized gravel.

Kenny felt a pull. The weight at the end of the line was nearly dead. He pumped and reeled. In a minute an expiring coho – a big red male with a black head, a large, black, aquiline head and milt dripping from its vent – lay twitching at his feet. The dying beast underscored the unappealing aspects of the place. Kenny pried the hook from the fish's toothy jaw with his forceps. With the toe of his waders he gently pushed the brute back into the river then made his way back to the truck.

At Vedder Crossing the character of the river changed again. Here there were rocks and riffles, but, curiously, no fishermen.

The day had lost its cold edge. Heat waves shimmered above the road. Kenny rolled down the window. The road was paved for long way and well graded after that.

After a stop to consult the map, he determined that he'd passed a creek called Tamahi and was on his way to another called Slesse. After driving some ten miles he slowed and pulled into an obviously well used parking area near a small creek he hadn't noticed on the map. Kenny had no trouble finding the trail to the river. At first, it was narrow and tightly confined a tunnel through dense brush, with a musty, sweet smell that, along with the hot damp air suggested a marsh nearby. Gradually the path opened wide revealing a long breathtaking run with a long series of rapids roaring off into the distance behind it.

Kenny started in immediately, swimming his fly through the blue water, mending line to slow down its drift. He didn't notice the man sitting on a log next to the tailout until the fellow was almost within range of his back cast.

"You're too early," the man said. "You're after steelhead, I can tell by your equipment," he added, "and you're a month too soon for the earliest of them."

"You fish here a lot?" asked Kenny.

"Not any more," was the reply.

"There are too many fishermen now and not very many fish," said the man, taking his cap off his head and running his left hand through a thick gray hair.

Kenny reeled in and sat down on a large smooth boulder. He lit a cigarette. He offered one to the old man, who took it.

"I grew up not so far from here," said the older man. "It was heaven for a boy. On some summer mornings we rode our horses to the high mountain lakes. We rode on trails that cut through fields full of wild flowers so tall and so covered with dew that our legs would be soaked when we reached the other side of them."

We fished trout in those little, high altitude lakes. We hunted moose and deer in winter, geese and ducks in the fall. We grew our own vegetables and our own fruit too. And, we killed fish: so many fish, me, my friends – all of us – that I'm ashamed to talk about it. Even the guys that abided by the limits killed too many because the limits were too damn high. It was slaughter."

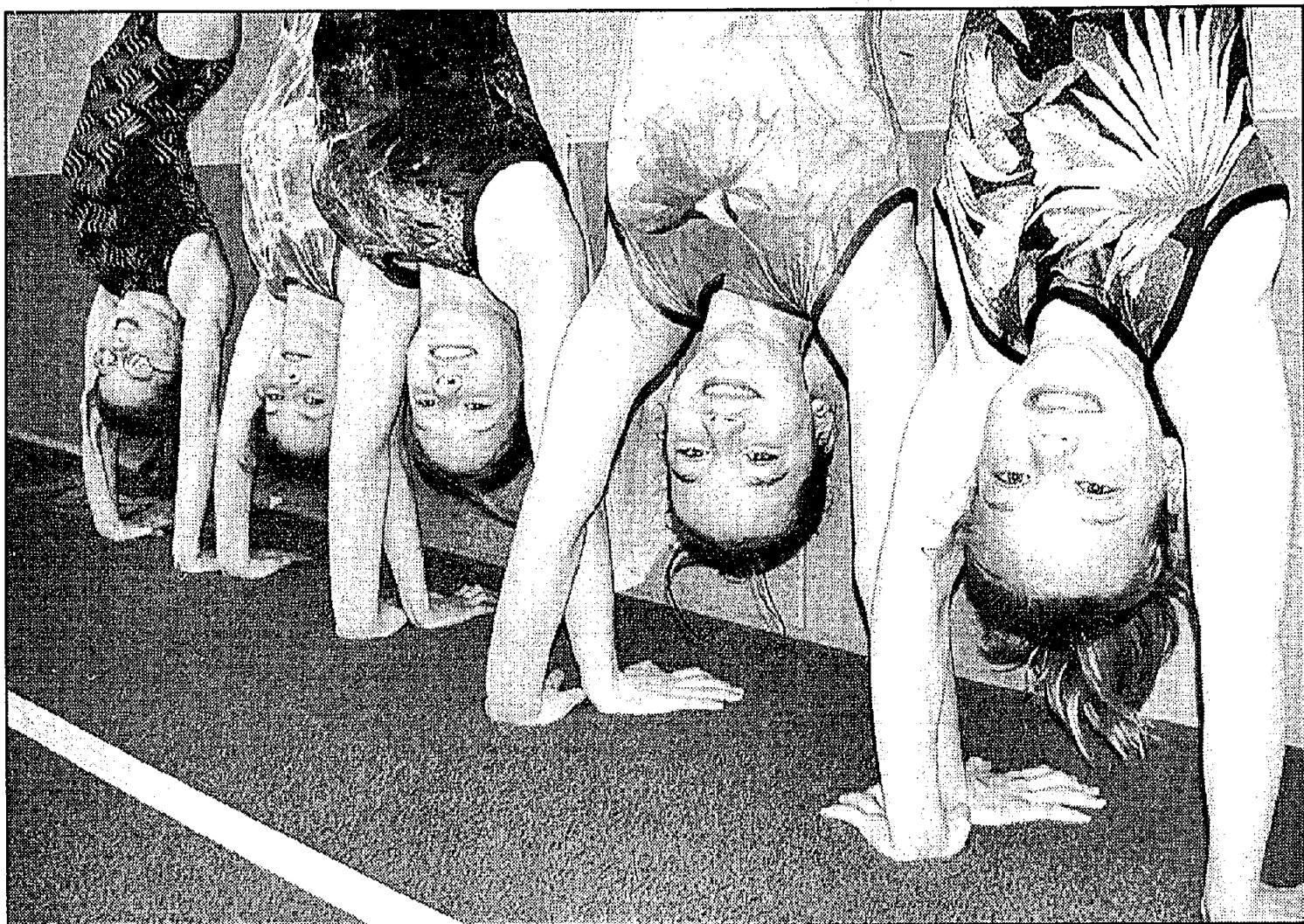
Kenny extended his hand. "I'm Kenny Corbett."

"Morris Thorne," the older man shook it.

"So...the fishing is no good now?"

"Terrible," the old guy leaned forward. His eyes were an intense pale blue.

To be continued...



Tumble time

THE TERRACE Peaks gymnastics club sent five gymnasts to the B.C. gymnastics championships last weekend. It's the biggest competitive meet of the year for the young tumblers. Jessica Ames, 10, Nicole Pelletier, 10, Marla Schulmeister, 14, Erica Dykes, 12, and Siobhan Sloan McMullen, 12, competed at the event. SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO.

Terrace teens try out for Best Ever hockey team

THREE TERRACE bantam hockey players are among 46 boys invited to attend this weekend's try-outs for the northwest B.C.'s Best Ever hockey team.

The Best Ever program comes out of B.C. amateur hockey and is a way for scouts from western Canada to watch young up and coming hockey players in action.

The northwest team will play at the prestigious B.C. Cup which will be held in Kitimat May 2-5.

Kyle Leblond, Chad Casper and goaltender Brad Norwood are the three local teens going to the tryout in Prince George Apr. 12-14.

"They get two practices and they do some scrimmages and we pick the top 20 kids from that," says John Amos.

Amos coached bantam hockey in Terrace this year and is one of the assistant coaches for the Best Ever team.

If the three local boys are chosen for the northwest team they'll be playing against some of the best young hockey players in the province.

"The boys here will have to perform well to make the cup," Amos says of this week's try-outs.

"For some of them this may be as far as they go in getting an invite to the try-out for elite type hockey."

With boys from 100 Mile house north to Whitehorse and east to Fort St. John vying for 20 spots on the northwest team the competition looks to be tough.

Amos says he'll have limited decision making power in who makes the

final cut for the northwest team.

Two coaches, two scouts and two special evaluators all watch the try-outs to spot the top players.

"That's the whole thing – we try to make it as transparent as possible," Amos says.

The B.C. Cup is being held in Kitimat – and the north – for the first time ever.

"There will be lots of scouts out there – B.C. Junior League, Western Hockey League and all of the scouting staff from B.C. Amateur hockey," Amos explains.

From the six teams playing at the B.C. Cup 46 players will be chosen to attend a summer camp where a team will be selected for next year's Canada Winter Games.



THE JOHN KENNEDY rink shows off the Loggers Bonspiel trophy.

Loggers spiel caps off outstanding season

JOHN Kennedy's rink earned top spot at this year's popular Loggers Bonspiel at the Terrace curling rink.

The 47th annual event caps off a very successful season for local curlers.

The Kennedy rink consisting of John Kennedy skipping, Dale Walker, Richard Blanes and Mike Wright easily took top spot the A Event. The team went undefeated in the bonspiel.

John Kennedy and Dale Walker were two members

of the Legion Provincial champions which played at the national level Mar. 21-24 in Hudson, Quebec. They won six games, lost three and finished third.

The B Event was won by the Rob Brise team from Smithers.

Terrace's juvenile team, the Michael Dahms rink, played very well only losing one game and winning the C Event.

The Michael Dahms team will be attending the Canada Winter Games in New Brunswick next year.

The D Event was won by the Mitch Griffith team from Terrace.

The popular men's bonspiel was attended by 32 teams including teams from Prince Rupert, Kitimat, Smithers and Houston. It was the last event for the curling club this season.

The club enjoyed a very successful season having hosted the Senior Ladies Provincials in January and two teams from the Terrace team winning provincial titles

Sports Scope

Thirty-one for two

CRIBBAGE players were pegging up a storm in Prince Rupert Mar. 30 as the playoffs for the Zone 10 B.C. Senior Games got under way.

Sixteen teams took part in the playoffs – the first of many which determine who goes to the games in Prince George this coming August.

The A-Team honours go to Anna Hrychuck and Vera McKenzie of Terrace. And the B-Team winners – Roberta Perry and Jean Cunningham – also hailed from Terrace.

The C-Team winners came from Prince Rupert – Ron Basso and Sharon Maguire.

Tennis gets into swing

THE TERRACE Tennis Club is officially opening for another season this Saturday at the Halliwell Tennis Courts. Play gets under way at 1:30 p.m. And the club is always looking for new members.

"We had a number of new people join the club last year and we're hoping to continue to grow," says club member Dighton Haynes.

Every Sunday the club features social tennis, where every 25 minutes play is stopped and groups are mixed up. The club meets on Tuesday and Thursday nights as well from 6 p.m. until dusk.

For more information about the tennis club and tournaments planned for the season call Dighton Haynes at 635-2925 or Ada Sarsiat at 635-9695.

Stallion auction set
Looking for love

SPRING HAS sprung and that means love is in the air – especially for horses.

The Terrace Totem Saddle Club is hosting a Stallion auction this weekend which allows horse owners from around the north to choose quality stallions for breeding with mares.

With 15 different stallions in attendance, organizers are confident the match making event will be a success.

Jolene McCormick is one of the organizers for the event and she says when it comes to breeding time is of the essence.

Mares are best bred in the spring time as their gestation period lasts about 11 months, meaning new foals will come into the world around this time next year.

Mares are generally brought to the stallion for breeding and McCormick says there's not much winning and dining that takes

place. "There's actually not a lot of romance involved it's about 10 seconds and it's over," she says laughing.

This year's auction features five quarter horses, one thoroughbred, a Paint horse, one Miniature Donkey, two Miniature Stallions, one Morgan, one Welsh Pony and three Arabian Stallions.

McCormick added many of the owners are also bringing their stallions' foals and yearlings to be viewed.

She says horse breeders are a picky lot and the auction is a good chance for owners to hand choose stallions.

The auction takes place at 1 p.m. at the Thornhill Fair Grounds.

Stallion viewings begin at 11 a.m.

All money from the auction goes towards the Skeena Valley Exhibition Arena fund.



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STANDARD

105 ANNOUNCEMENT

NIRVANA METAPHYSIC & HEALING CENTRE
"YOU ARE THE CREATOR OF YOUR OWN LIFE"
 OPEN CHANNEL, TAROT,
 PALM READINGS, METAPHYSICAL/
 TRANSFORMATIONAL COUNSELLING
 LAUREL BARRER, Mscd. Phd.
 3511 Cottonwood Cres., Thornhill • 635-7778

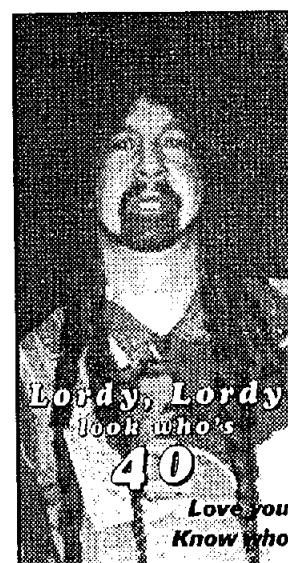
C.O.R.E.
 (Conservation Outdoor
 Recreation Education)
Firearm Safety Course
 will begin
April 18
 Outdoor Survival & First Aid
 Firearm Safety • Animal Identification
 Bird Identification • Ethics
 Hunting Laws & Regulations
 This 24 hr. course prepares the student for
 the 2 exams which are necessary to obtain
 the B.C. Hunter's License. This number is
 required to obtain a big game hunting
 licence & is necessary to apply for
 a limited Entry Licence.
 This will be my last class offered before the
LIMITED ENTRY SEASON
 Register TODAY!
 Phone JOHN HALEY at
635-6542
 There is limited class space so call today!

WELCOME WAGON
 SINCE 1930
 Your Welcome
 Wagon Hostess for
 Terrace, B.C. is:
Cathy
615-9286
 If you are new to
 Terrace or having a
 baby, please call Your
 Welcome Wagon
 hostess for your free
 gifts and information.

105 ANNOUNCEMENT

KAMLOOPS CHAPTER invites
 you to our "Healthy Celiac"
 Seminar Saturday April 27/02,
 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Full gospel
 Church, 1550 Tranquille Road,
 Kamloops, B.C. FMI on cost/
 registration. Call 250-372-9564

120 BIRTHDAYS



135 ENGAGEMENTS/WEDDINGS

Audrie and Harold Cox are pleased
 to announce the engagement of their daughter

**Jody to
 Ron**

son of Grace and
 Mike Paschewych
 of Toronto.

Wedding to take place
 September 7th, 2002 at
 Royal Roads University in Victoria.

Congratulations Dr. Jody and Dr. Ron

165 CARD OF THANKS

A Big Thank You

to all who helped and attended the
Whittington/Menure wedding.

Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated.
 July 28/01 to Dec. 20/01 as short lived as it was.

**Thank You
 A. Whittington**

The Northwest BC Metis Association

WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
Department of Canadian Heritage

for
 providing the resources to the
Metis Provincial Council of BC
 for funding of the recent
"Computer Proficiency Program"
 training course through
Interconnect in Terrace.

155 OBITUARIES



**William Gavin Monro
 (Bill)**

May 7, 1944 March 31, 2002

Bill passed away peacefully at
 Mills Memorial Hospital,
 Terrace, B.C. after a 15 month
 illness.

He is predeceased by his
 parents, Val and Arthur
 Monro and survived by his
 loving wife Jacky and dear
 children Kelly (Lia) Monro,
 Ryan (Matreya) Monro,
 Shevaune Monro, (Murray
 Bartiston, Dan Monro (Pam
 Visentin), Genevieve Monro,
 and four grandsons Phoenix,
 Blake, Connor and Louis.

Also survived by brother
 Jim Monro (Liz Walker) and
 sisters Peggy Monro and
 Shelda Fleet (Ray).

On Thursday, April 4, 2002
 at 3:30 p.m. a memorial service
 was held for family and
 friends at Thornhill Community
 Church, Terrace, B.C.

Bill's sense of humour and
 pleasant disposition will be
 missed by many where he
 lived and worked.

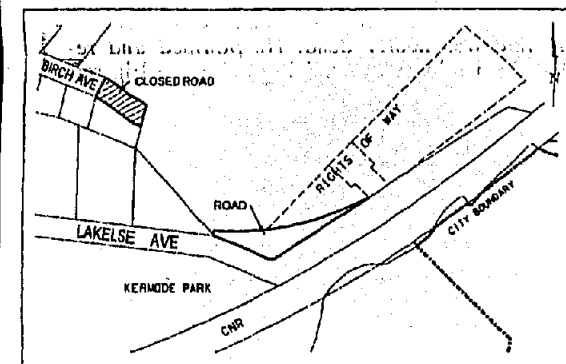
150 LEGAL NOTICES



CITY OF TERRACE PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENTION

ROAD CLOSURE & ROAD EXCHANGE

TAKE NOTICE THAT, pursuant to Section 525 & 527 of the Local
 Government Act, the Council of the City of Terrace intends to stop
 up and close that portion of highway (the "Closed Road") marked
 as "Closed Road" and shown hatched on the accompanying
 drawing and exchange the "Closed Road" for that portion of land
 marked "Road" and shown in heavy black outline on the accom-
 panying drawing.



THE PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE & EXCHANGE BYLAW MAY BE
 INSPECTED between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., each
 day, from Wednesday, April 10th, 2002, to Monday, May 13th,
 2002 inclusive, excluding Saturdays and Sundays in the region
 area at the City of Terrace Public Works Building at 5003 Graham
 Avenue, Terrace, B.C.,

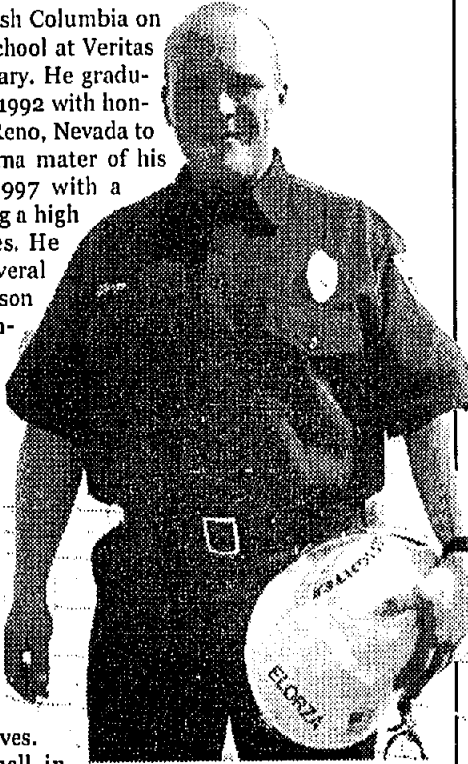
THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL
 GOVERNMENT ACT, R.S.B.C., 1996, AND AMENDMENTS
 THERETO.

TAKE NOTICE and be governed accordingly.
RON POOLE,
 Chief Administrative Officer

TERRACE MAN BECOMES A FIREFIGHTER

Jason Elorza was born in Terrace, British Columbia on
 April 11, 1974. He attended elementary school at Veritas
 then moved on to Skeena Junior Secondary. He gradu-
 ated from Caledonia Secondary School in 1992 with hon-
 ors. In the fall of 1992 Jason travelled to Reno, Nevada to
 attend the University of Nevada, the alma mater of his
 mother and father. He graduated in 1997 with a
 Degree in Business Management achieving a high
 scholastic average throughout his studies. He
 was invited to become a member of several
 honor societies upon commencement. Jason
 spent several summers working and man-
 aging pack trips into the Mammoth
 Mountains of the Sierra Nevada
 Mountain Range before deciding to apply
 for a position as a firefighter with the
 Reno area fire departments. In September
 of 2001 Jason applied along with 1400
 other applicants for one of seven posi-
 tions vacated. In November he was not-
 ified that he had been selected to enter the
 fire academy in December, 2001. He
 went through several months of gruelling
 training and graduated at the top of his
 class on March 8, 2002. The graduation
 was attended by state Senators,
 Congressman and municipal representatives.
 Jason is currently stationed at a firehall in
 Sparks, Nevada (a suburb of Reno).

After receiving his badge, which was pinned on by his mother, Jason stated that he
 was very proud and honored to be a fireman with the Sparks Fire Department. He
 also shared with the audience his love of Canada and his pride in being raised in
 Terrace, British Columbia prior to his move to Reno.



155 OBITUARIES

In loving memory of Frances J. Nickle-Knaap

Born December 13, 1939, North Bay,
 Ontario. Suddenly passed away
 February 27, 2002 in Vancouver at the
 age of 62 years. Sadly missed by her
 daughter Bev & husband Harold
 Montgomery, grandchildren Dustin &
 Cora, of Terrace, BC. Her son Russell
 Gowan and Vera Wallace of Nova Scotia.
 Her sister Susan Nickle & husband Rod
 Meredith, nephew Alex of Terrace, BC
 and all of her loving friends in
 Vancouver, BC. Frances left us to join her
 parents Alvin & Dorothy Nickle, her hus-
 band Jan Knaap and her youngest son
 Brenton Alvin Gowan. A memorial ser-
 vice was held March 4, 2002 at the first
 United Church in Vancouver.

The Montgomery, Gowan and
 Meredith families would like to express
 their appreciation to everyone that has
 shown their kindness and support
 through this time of sorrow.

"Traditions are a big part of my
 culture. Unfortunately, so is
 diabetes."

Bernie, First Nations counselor
 HELP SOMEONE YOU KNOW.
 CALL 1-800-BANTING
 CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION
 ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DU DIABETE
 www.diabetes.ca

RONALD EARL BRIGGS

June 5/58 - April 2/02



Earl will be sadly missed by
 his son Nathan, loving com-
 panion Marg, all his many
 friends, Mother, family and
 friends in New Brunswick.
**You will be always in
 our hearts**

Notice to Forestry Consulting Contractors

TSL/ Multiphase Development-Request for Expression of Interest

Forestry Timber Planning and Layout
 The Ministry of Forests, Lakes District is establishing a Select
 List of pre-qualified contractors who will be invited to participate
 in subsequent invitations to Tender for multi-phase timber sale
 development contracts during the term from April 31, 2002 to
 March 31, 2003. The work will include, but not be limited to the
 following activities: probing, road and block location, road and
 block layout, Silviculture prescriptions, timber cruising and
 compilations, GPS work, Microstation mapping, Arc Info/ View
 mapping, and archaeological recess. Only those contractors
 having been prequalified will be invited by select invitation to
 compete for these contracts.

Contractors interested in being evaluated for inclusion on the
 Select List are invited to obtain a pre-qualification information
 package containing further details of the proposed project, the
 pre-qualification mandatory requirements and complete
 instructions for submission of an Expression of Interest.
 Information packages may be obtained at no charge from the:

Ministry of Forests
 Lakes Forest District
 Bag 3500
 185 Yellowhead Highway
 Burns Lake, BC
 V0J 1E0

Attention: Diane Popovitch, Contract Services Clerk or Ian
 Brown, SBEP Assistant Forester
 Telephone: (250) 692-2200 or Fax: (250) 692-7461
 E-mail: Diane.Popovitch@gems1.gov.bc.ca or
Ian.Brown@gems7.gov.bc.ca

Expressions of Interest will be received until 2:00 p.m. (local
 time) on April 19, 2002. Submissions must be in accordance
 with the terms and conditions specified in the information
 package. No further advertising will take place.

Submission of a pre-qualification application does not
 guarantee inclusion on a resulting short list of pre-qualified
 contractors. The ministry reserves the right to limit the
 number of pre-qualified contractors invited to compete on a
 subsequent contract.

The ministry may reject late submissions.

This solicitation is subject to Chapter 5 of the Agreement
 on Internal Trade.

150 LEGAL NOTICES

WAREHOUSEMAN'S LIEN ACT

Take notice that pursuant to section 192 of the "Motor Vehicle Act" a 1989 Cavalier Serial #1G1JF11T517100245 will be sold by closed bids at S.K.B. Auto Salvage (1985) Ltd. on April 19, 2002 to satisfy the indebtedness of Justin Briand in the sum of \$4,763.20. Please call for a viewing appointment at 250-635-2333. Offer must be submitted in writing to S.K.B. Auto Salvage (1985) Ltd., 3690 Duhan Rd., Terrace, B.C. V8G 3Z9. Highest or any offer not necessarily accepted.

MedicAlert
SPEAKS FOR YOU
1-800-668-1507
www.medicalert.ca

CALLING FOR TENDERS FOR MISCELLANEOUS CRUISE COMPILATIONS
Contract No. SBP03DKM-003
Sealed Tenders for the Miscellaneous Cruise Compilations, Contract No. SBP03DKM-003, under the Timber Sale Program, will be received by the District Manager, Ministry of Forests, Kalam Forest District, 200-5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, B.C., V8G 1L1, until 9:00 a.m. on April 19, 2002.
All inquiries should be directed to Chris Lind, Contract Coordinator, at the above address. Phone (250) 635-5100. Contract particulars package can be obtained at the Kalam Forest District Office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.
No tender will be considered having any qualifying clauses whatsoever, and the lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.
Contract award is subject to funding being available at the time.



INVITATION TO TENDER

GREIG AVENUE & ATWOOD STREET RECONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

Tender documents for full roadway reconstruction and associated works on Greig Avenue (Atwood Street to Clinton Street) and Atwood Street (Greig Avenue to Lakelse Avenue) are available from April 10th, 2002, at the Public Works Building, 5003 Graham Avenue, Terrace, weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., for a non-refundable fee of \$25.00.

A mandatory site visit will take place at 9:00 a.m., April 18th, 2002 at the intersection of Greig Avenue and Atwood Street.

Tenders to close at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 25th, 2002.



PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED SBEP 2002-2006 FOREST DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Notice is hereby given that the Kalam Forest District's Small Business Forest Enterprise Program proposed 2002-2006 Forest Development Plan (FDP) is available for public review and comment. The plan proposes operations in the:

- Kalam TSA (Weewanie Creek, Kitimat River Valley, west of Dasque Creek, lower Skeena near Exchamsiks River, Thunder Bird, Sandur-Airport area, Deep Creek Community Watershed, Kleanza Lake, Skeena West, lower Kalam River, Rosswood, Red Sand Lake);
- Nass TSA (West Nass-Harper/Arbor, Vandyske, Bonney Lake, Kwinageese River, Kotsinta-Kwinageese east);
- TFL #1 (Limonite Creek, Nogold Creek); and
- TFL #41 (Danube Bay, North Hirsch Creek).

The proposed FDP shows the location and orderly development of proposed harvesting, road development, maintenance, and deactivation required for the term of this plan. The plan also includes information on the maintenance and protection of other non-timber resource values in the area. It is available for review and comment by resource agencies and the public before the Ministry of Forests puts the plan into effect.

The proposed plan is made available for review and comment to provide the opportunity to address concerns of the public and resource users. The Forest Development Plan will be available for review at the dates, times and locations listed below:

April 10, 2002 to June 10, 2002 Ministry of Forests - Kalam Forest District Office (Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm) #200-5220 Keith Ave, Terrace, BC

April 10, 2002 to June 10, 2002 Terrace Public Library (regular operating hours) 4610 Park Avenue, Terrace, BC

If interested parties are unavailable to review the proposed plans during the above times, arrangements can be made to review the plan at a time convenient for them. If you would like to discuss the proposed plan with a SBEP representative, please contact the Kalam district office to arrange a meeting.

Please forward any comments, questions or concerns in writing, by no later than June 10, 2002, to David Nicholson, R.P.F. at the Ministry of Forests, 200-5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, BC. E-mail: Dave.Nicholson@gems1.gov.bc.ca, Ph: 250-638-5124, Fax: 250-638-5176.

165 THANKS

I WOULD like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens and the businesses of your community for the outstanding support they have given to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of BC & Yukon during this years campaign. Terry Runions, Area Coordinator NWC.

210 BUSINESS PERSONALS

BOOKKEEPING SERVICES: Set up and maintenance of your small business requirements. Serving the Northwest for over 9 years. Phone 250-635-9592

FREE CREDIT counselling consolidate debts, one low monthly payment, eliminate or reduce interest, rebuild your credit rating. Credit Counselling Society of B.C., Non profit service. 1-888-527-8999.

230 LOST & FOUND

LOST: MAN'S felt hat with beaded buckskin hat band. Please call anytime. 250-635-6661

LOST: MEN'S wallet. Billabong on the front, black rubberized with maroon trim. Reward. Phone 250-635-1971

LOST: UPLANDS horseshoe area. Female Boxer. Comes to the name of Brook. Tan and white 2 1/2 years old. Friendly. Greatly missed by family. Reward offered Call 250-638-0491.

THREE PIECE wedding ring lost around town. Engraved inside band. Reward offered phone evening 250-635-0093.

240 PERSONALS

CANADA'S BEST 24 hour. 1 on 1 (18yrs+) 1-888-913-8122 from \$2.40/min. Credit card billing. 1-900-870-7647. (all new girls) \$3.99/min. New management

EVANLY-RAYS' LIVE PSYCHICS

Voted most accurate by customers. Police use us! Relationships? Spouse cheating? Getting lover back? **1-900-451-4055** 18+ \$2.99/min

240 PERSONALS

DON'T WORRY be happy! #1 Psychics - Accurate and caring Mystical Connections. \$2.99/min. 1-900-677-5872 or Visa/Mc 1-877-478-4410. 18+ 5am - 1am www.mysticalconnections.ca

GET BACK on track! Bad credit? Bills? Unemployed? Need Money? We lend! If you own your own home - you qualify. 1-877-987-1420 www.pioneerwest.com Broker/lender fees may apply!

355 FURNITURE

TWO SOLID maple dressers, one wood bookcase. 250-638-8296

365 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

DESIGNER \$3000 wedding dress. White strapless gown with extremely wide skirt. Perfect for an elaborate wedding. Asking \$1000. Please call 250-635-1712.

Inventory Reduction

AUCTION SALE

Saturday, April 13, 2002 beginning at 11:00am

At Terrace Equipment Sales Ltd., 4441 Lakelse Ave. Terrace, BC

New Inventory

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 6 Toro Lawn Mowers | Snowmobile Module Helmets |
| 2 Troybilt Lawn Mowers | Snowmobile Helmets |
| Troybilt Mulching Mower | Snowmobile Covers & Accessories |
| 8 Toro Snow Blowers | Snowmobile Windshields & Backrests |
| Toro Snow Blower Attachments | Motorcycle Part Accessories & Manuals |
| Toro 42 Inch Snow Blade | Paddles, Oars, Tank, Cables |
| Toro Yard Trailer | Husqvarna Parts |
| 2 BCS Rototillers | Lister Parts |
| BCS Potato Ridger | Janmar Parts |
| 2 Wolverine 17ft. Canoes | Yamaha Parts |
| Smoker Craft 17ft. Alum. Canoe | Echo Parts |
| 2 14ft. Jon Boats | Tires-ATV/Motorcycle-Tractor |
| 12ft. Jon Boat | Pickup Loading Ramps |
| 3 Suzuki Water Pumps | Pickup Rails & Racks |
| Stihl Cutoff Blades | Argo Bellypan |
| 12ft. Round Solar Pool Cover | |
| Snowmobile Suits, Boots, & Jackets | |

Used Inventory

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| Husqvarna Snow Blower | 1998 Lowe 20ft. Pontoon Boat with EZ Load Trailer |
| 2 Husqvarna 265 RX Brush Cutters | Trailblazer Double Skidoo Trailer |
| 4 Stihl Trimmers | Johnson 25 HP Jet Outboard |
| 6 Weed Trimmers | 3 Outboards |
| 7 Power Saws | 2 Johnson 45 HP Outboards |
| 3 Honda Generators | 2 Honda CB550F Motorcycles |
| Honda TR350 - 4x4 ATV | 2 Honda CB900F Motorcycles |
| Honda 10 HP Motor | 12 Used Lawnmowers |
| Mikasa Jumping Jack | Pickup Cab Liner |
| Mikasa Plate Tamper | Chain Sharpener |
| Honda Power Trowel | Fire Extinguisher Filling Equip. |
| 3 Honda Lawn Mowers | |

Plus many items too numerous to mention. Subject to Additions and Deletions

Terms Cash

Persons paying for major items with uncashed cheque may be required to leave items on the grounds until cheque clears the bank.

KERR'S AUCTIONS

C-2, S-3, R.R.#1, Telkwa, BC. Ph: (250) 846-5392 Not responsible for accidents Fax: (250) 846-5392

365 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

DO YOU have DSS HU card that is looped? We can fix it for you. Programming also available. Phone 250-635-9094

FACTORY DIRECT kitchen cabinets - countertops. We ship throughout BC. Visit our web-site www.kitchensbc.com. For further links and complete information. Tel 1-800-336-1639 fax 1-250-561-2250

FLOORING COMPANY needs to sell inventory, laminate \$.75/sq/ft. oak unfinished \$1.49/sq/ft. oak/maple floating \$3.50/sq/ft. oak or maple prefinished. \$2.49 sqft. tons more! 1-800-631-3342 or 604-888-8175

LOGGING TRUCKLOADS of firewood. Mixed Hemlock, Alder, and Birch. \$800 to Terrace. 250-638-7290

MOVING MUST sell ASAP various items freezer, ride-on lawnmower/snowthrower, gas weed eater, snowblower (near new) 88 Buick for parts and a boat with trailer plus household items, no reasonable offer refused. Can be reached at 250-635-9028 until April 3/02. First some first serve.

NEW-TON-TEK, Direct TV Satellite System Sales. We also program H-cards/Hu-cards. With private scripts, installations. References supplied. Phone 250-846-9762 Fax 250-846-9760. email: newtontek@hotmail.com

ONE YEAR old Yamaha console piano 10 year warranty, tuning included, presently owned by piano teacher, while, like new condition. \$3,800. 992-0947

395 WANTED

DRY FIREWOOD wanted. Phone 798-2555 leave message or 250-624-2023 collect.

WANTED FREEZER burned meat, bones or fish for sled dogs. Will pick up 250-635-3772

410 FARM EQUIPMENT

ELECTRIC FARM King grain grinder/roller. Asking \$850 obo. Call 250-845-7707

425 LIVESTOCK

EXPERIENCE THE miniature horse. Loving animals less than 34" tall. Breeding, show and beautiful "pets" available. Miniature dexter/zebu. Bull and Heifer for sale. 250-546-9323

FOR SALE: Raxsim Bull (proven breeder) available: May 27, 2002. Can be semen tested. For information Asking \$1750. Call Houston: 1-250-845-770

LIVESTOCK HAULING, large or small to auctions in B.C. and Alberta from farm gate to auction. Call Alfred 1-250-698-7692.

N.T. FALL Fair & Rodeo Livestock Auction, Fair Grounds Barriere, B.C. April 27th 10 am. Leslie 672-5207. Outdoor flea market. \$7/space. Bring own table.

ONE BULL, registered Gelvich. two years old. For breeding purposes etc. For more info please call 250-635-3018.

REGISTERED RED angus bulls and heifers for sale. Contact Giddings Bros., Telkwa, 250-846-5628

REPLACEMENT TYPE heifers for sale 700-800lbs Red Angus cross. Phone 250-567-2725 or 250-567-3266

STEEL TUBING cut in lengths or gate and panel packages. Sizes: 1" - .45c/ft. 1 1/4" - .60c/ft. 1 1/2" - .70c/ft. 1 3/4" - .80c/ft. 2" - .90c/ft. 2 7/8" - \$1.10/ft. 3 3/8" - \$1.00/ft. Phone 403-843-3370

460 EQUIPMENT

1989 UNIVISION Tridem Hiboy \$10,500 or trade for single axle Jeep and pole trailer. 250-638-0214

FOR SALE BY BID North Central Bailiffs Terrace. 1999 John Deere 270 LC Excavator, 3700 hrs, c/w 2 buckets, guarding, hydraulic thumb. 1999 Thomas Skidsteer T173 HLS Series 111 Skidsteer Loader, 615 hrs full heated cab, auxiliary hydraulics c/w 1999 tandem trailer, bucket and 1999 Thomas Sweeper unit. 1994 Western Star Tractor Truck c/w 1994 Brodex Tri-axle log trailer. 1988 Clark 668D Skidder, 1969 TD Dresser Crawler. Call Gary at 250-635-0115 for bid form or www.northcentralbailiffs.bc.ca

LOG OPERATION seeking to buy 60X80' fixed or mobile crane on med-sized truck. Call Peter at: 250-847-3207

THUNDERBIRD RANCH & Farm Equipment. Quality used sales & locaters - Hauling available. Dave Crossan (250) 567-2607, 6km Mapes Road, Vanderhoof, B.C.

470 LOGGING/TIMBER

WANTED STANDING TIMBER All species including hardwoods. Competitive prices. References. Glen 250-638-0214

510 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

ACCESS TO a computer? Put it to work! \$1500+ part-time, \$3000 - \$5000 full-time. Call 1-800-439-2037 www.trulyfree-dom.com

510 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

ACCESS TO a computer? Earn \$500 - \$1500 p/t working around your current job. Earn \$2000 - \$5000+/ft. Make your hours. Call toll free. 1-888-406-8851 or www.jointheonline.biz.com

FITNESS FACILITY, 18 years in business. 5600 sqft. Serious inquiries only. Days 250-635-6146

GOVERNMENT FUNDS, grants & loans information. For all business & farms. Call 1-800-505-8866

NET \$2800 a month secured. P/t - no selling. Clientele provided. \$9995 investment. For free info. 1-800-321-6126 (24 hrs)

PAYDAY LOANS + cheque cashing turn key - since 1992. Franchise available. www.checkstationcanada.com or call 1-604-522-7999.

TEST DRIVE! Unique opportunity to own and operate a 2002 Pete with zero down. You must have min. 2yrs flatdeck highway experience, able and willing to run Canada/USA and possess good references. Tom or Andre. 800-863-0099

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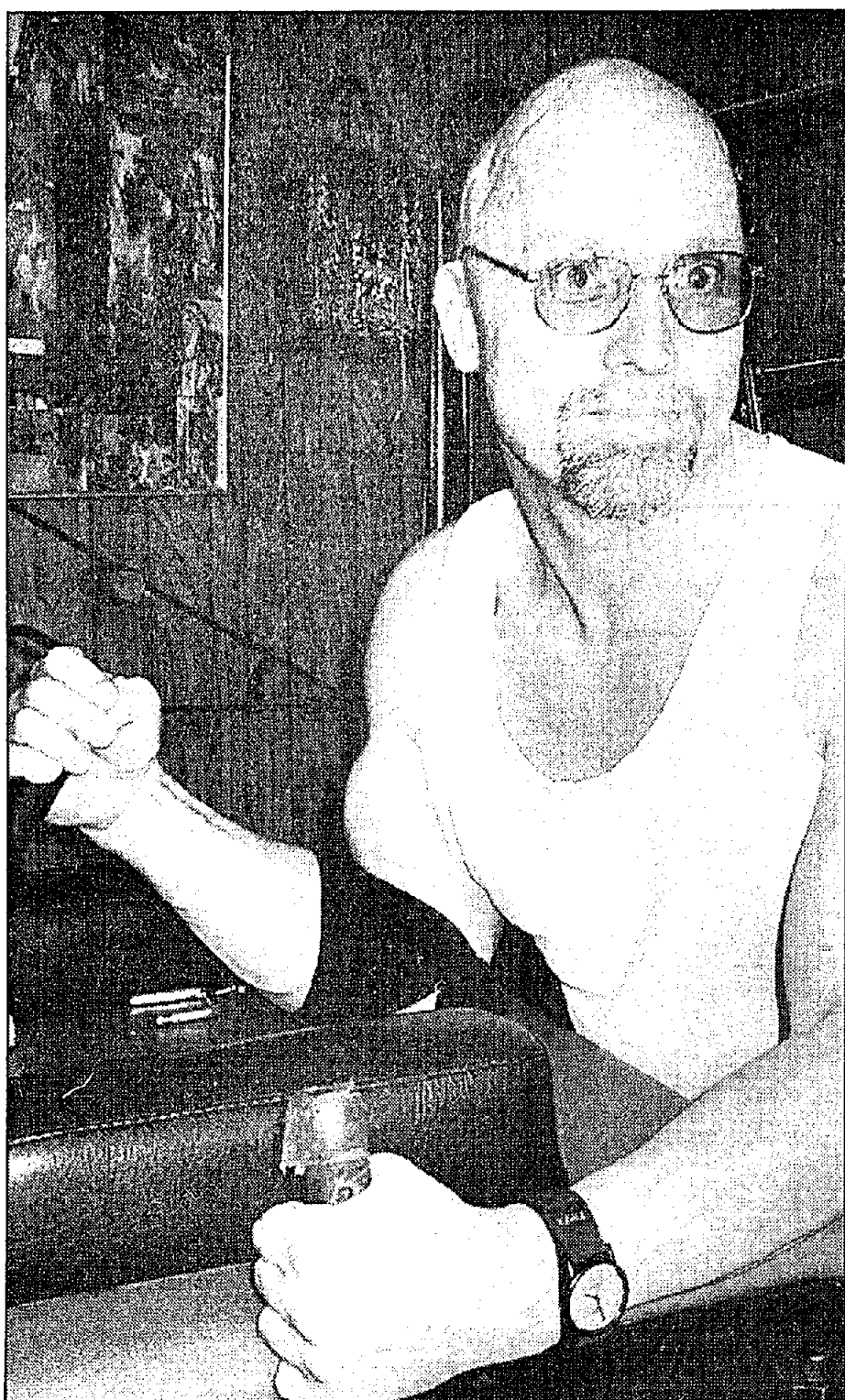
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Skeena Child Care Resource and Referral has information on child care options and on choosing child care.
Drop by The Family Place at 4553 Park Ave. or call 638-1113.
Skeena CCRR is a program of the Terrace Women's Resource Centre and is funded by the Ministry of Social Development and Economic Security



AL HEINRICKS battles the pressure of a simulated hit in an arm wrestling match on one of his modified workout machines. SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO.

His inventions make solo training a whole lot easier

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN
AL HEINRICKS is one of those athletes whose story continues to inspire people no matter how many times you've heard it.

After a gun accident several years ago Heinrichs's brain was damaged, leaving him a hemiplegic, which means he has little control over the left side of his body.

Then a stroke a few years ago left the man in a wheelchair.

For many people that would be enough to make them want to give up — but not Al Heinrichs.

"Some people say I'm stubborn but I prefer tenacious," Heinrichs says.

The local arm wrestler competes in major provincial and Canadian competitions annually.

But finding people to train with him has proven difficult.

So, like he has done so many times in his life, Heinrichs decided to find a solution to his problem on his own.

Without real-life people to train with Heinrichs modified his compact home gym to simulate the force of a human arm at the beginning of an arm wrestling match.

He fixed a special grip to the right side of the gym and attached a special line from the weight to helmet he wears on his head.

"My helmet pulls the weights loose which releases the weights into a free fall state which pulls on the gripper," Heinrichs explains.

The goal is to take the hit without moving his arm.

"I can do that with 75 pounds now," he says.

Next up — a modified arm wrestling table complete with a pulley system affixed to weight in order to simulate the roll over at the beginning of an arm wrestling match.

The weights put back and side pull pressure on his right hand.

He even has a small tape recorder which says "go" — a replacement for a referee's command.

"Those are my pride and joy," Heinrichs says beaming.

He's already been in touch with a patent company which has agreed to look at his designs, he says.

And so far so good.

Heinrichs trains on the special machines daily in an effort to build lean muscle, concentrate on technique and build up consistent strength.

Heinrichs kicks off the arm wrestling season next month with provincials in Kamloops.

"I want to test all I've done and I want to see if my machines work as well as I think they do," he says.

Heinrichs doesn't let his handicap get in the way.

In fact he says he feeds off the audience's reaction when he comes out to compete.

"I think the audience likes the underdog," he says smiling.

And then there's those times when he beats an able-bodied opponent.

"People don't like arm wrestling a handicapped person and losing," he says smiling.

But he hopes that's exactly what will happen next month in Kamloops when he goes to the provincials.

Track and field club looks for members

YOUNG PEOPLE interested in taking part in track and field competitively have a new opportunity to make that happen.

The Terrace Track and Field Association is a new organization that will help young athletes train for competitive meets.

The association is looking for members aged 12-17 to train with other young participants this spring and summer.

The organization will be sending the team to two major meets this spring.

The first meet is set to go May 11 in Kamloops and the second is June 8 in Prince George.

For more information contact Dighton Haynes at 635-2925.

Northern Savings soccer champs

CASSIE HALL School's gymnasium set the scene for the championship game of Terrace's women's indoor soccer league.

After several weeks of playoff action it all came down to the final between Artistic Hair Studio and

Northern Savings Thursday, Apr. 4.

The game was all tied up at 1 after regulation time forcing two five-minute overtime sessions.

With the game still tied up the decision went to a shootout.

Northern Savings' Sheila Denomme and Janet Haw were able to put the ball past the Artistic Hair Studio's goaltender.

That put the cap on this year's indoor soccer season with Northern Savings coming out on top 3-1.

Sports menu

To get your game, event or meeting added to the Terrace Standard Sports Menu or Sports Scope, fax us at 638-8432, or you can e-mail us at standard@kermode.net

Apr. 13

■ B.C. Senior Games Zone 10 regular monthly meeting. 1:30 at the Happy Gang Centre. For information call Bud at 635-9505 or Maxine at 638-8648.

TERRACE YOUTH SOCCER

USED SOCCER SHOE SALE

When: Saturday, April 13th 9-1p.m.

Where: Christy Park Clubhut

Drop Off used soccer shoes on

Friday, April 12th • 6pm-8pm

(No sales until Saturday)

TERRACE YOUTH SOCCER

is in **DESPERATE NEED OF COACHES**

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Under 18 Girls, Under 14 Girls Select

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Coaching courses will run in April.

Contact Chris at 635-9227

clindseth@kermode.net

TERRACE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

COACHING, REFEREE & PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CLINICS FOR THE 2002 SEASON

COURSE	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	RM#
Referee Refresher	April 19th	5:30pm-Fri	NWCC	1105
Referee Class 5	April 20th	9:00am - Sat	NWCC	1125
Referee Class 4	April 20th	9:00am - Sat	NWCC	1105
	April 21st	9:00am - Sun		
Referee Class 5	April 27th	9:00am - Sat	NWCC	1125
Community Coach Youth	April 26th	6:00pm - Fri	NWCC	1
	April 27th	9:00am - Sat		
	April 28th	9:00am - Sun		
Coaches meeting with: DEREK POSSE of BCSCA	Aug 9th	6:00pm - Fri	CHRISTY PARK	
BCSA Player Development	Aug 10th	9:00am - Sat	CHRISTY PARK	
	Aug 11th	9:00am - Sun		

If you are interested in any of these clinics, please call

George Bujas

Phone/Fax: (250) 635-3719

Email: g.bujas@telus.net

Online Registration:

<http://www.kermode.net/rainforestzone/index.html>

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FINAL REGISTRATION

SKEENA MALL

Saturday, April 13, 2002

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Some divisions will be in
**jeopardy of being cancelled if
more volunteers are not found!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL

Chris AT 635-1548

The Shames Mountain Ski Club would like to express its sincere thanks to the following companies, businesses and individuals who helped make the 2002 Merrill Lynch K2 Alpine Provincial Championships a resounding success:

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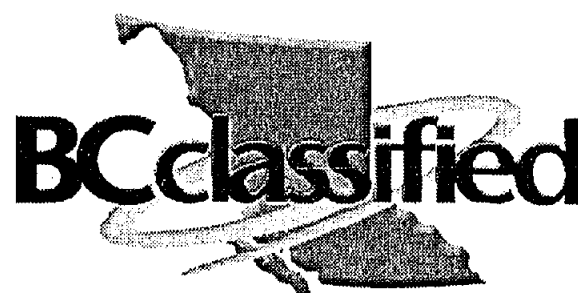


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